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PREFACE.

THE principal purpose of the author, in preparing this volume, has been the presentation of a coneise and accurate account of the events of the Indian wars in New England, with lists of officers, soldiers, military committees, scouts, and others engaged therein, as full and correct as possible. Material has been drawn from all available sources, viz.: The official records of the three colonies, Massachusetts, Plymouth, and Connecticut: Rhode Island, as a non-combatant community, not being counted into the league. In addition to these sources, the Colonial Archives have been diligently searched for unpublished documents, as well as the Registry, Probate, and Court Records, and documents of the several counties. I have consulted all known published histories and accounts of the early times: Bradford, the Mortons, Prince, and Winthrop; with diaries and "personal accounts," like those published by Capt. John Mason, Capt. John Underhill, Lieut. Lion Gardener, P. Vincent, and others, together with later historians, - Hubbard, the Mathers, father and son, and later yet, and of less authority, these like Benjamin Church. Then again Town and Church Records, family bibles, and local traditions have all been noted, and brought to give evidence.

The basis, however, of the main body of the work, the services of the soldiers in Philip's War, is drawn from the ancient account-books of Mr. John Hull, Treasurer-at-war of Massachusetts Colony, from 1675–1678.

A word of explanation concerning these precious old books may be in order here. In former times the books and papers kept by public officers were retained by them, at the close of their official terms, as their private property. It is not known just how these books were handed down, but the Journal, the most important, was discovered in the possession of Dr. John Gilbert, of Boston,



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by Mr. Isaac Child, and at his suggestion, kindly transferred to the New England Historic Genealogical Society, about fifty years ago. Two Ledgers, belonging to the same set of accounts, were acquired by the same society later, and have since been preserved in their safe, with many other precious documents. The old Journal was in a dilapidated condition when found by Mr. Child, and the society employed him to repair and index the volume, which he did with great patience and skill. Many parts of the book are now almost illegible, and few except experts can reconstruct the names; while other parts are as plain as on the day of writing. This Journal contains accounts of debt and credit with everybody who had any dealing with the Colony of Massachusetts in relation to the war of 1675-78. The pages of the Journal, after the first and up to the fourteenth, are missing, but the first Ledger, fortunately, covers these pages so that it is possible to restore them entire. The first accounts show the names of those who furnished money, means, and material for the war. Then follow the individual accounts of the officers. soldiers, and others of every class, who served the Colony in this war, under the general account, "Military Service." These credits show that every soldier, on presenting himself to the paymaster, must produce a certificate of service, or "debenture," signed by his commanding officer. Mr. Hull's system of bookkeeping was a quaint sort of "double-entry," or "mixed-method." It was very exhaustive, giving to every species of transaction a separate ledger account, as well as to every individual mentioned in the Journal. Some of these accounts are very curious and suggestive, for instance: "Bisket," "Liquors," "Ammunission," "Wast-Coats and Drawers," "Tobaco & Pipes," "Wounded Men," "Contingencies," "Woolves," "Quakers," "Captives," "Distressed-Dutchmen," "Scalpes," "Perquisites," "Queries." Many pages are lost from the last part of this book, while the time covered by the part left is much the most important of the war. The Journal accounts extend from June 25, 1675, to September 23, 1676. The first Ledger, beginning with the above Journal, contains now two-hundred and twenty double pages, on which is posted about half the matter in the Journal accounts. Both these books must have been originally much larger than at present. There is a later mixed Journal-Ledger, covering the years 1677 and 1678, in part, and indicating a closing-up of the



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war accounts. Further explanation is given on page 446 of this volume.

In searching these books for the name of one who served in the Indian war, the present writer discovered the importance of the accounts in the matter of the Indian war of 1675. Every soldier who served in that war is credited with military service, and the name of the officer under whom or the garrison at which he served is given in the credit. The date at which payment is made is given in the "Cash" account, but the time and place of service is not designated, nor is the residence or any further information about the soldier given. Some of the soldiers served at different times and under different officers. The best method therefore of arranging the men in companies was found to be that of following the names of the officers as they occur in the credits. The names were thus gathered from the Journal, and placed in companies with their officers. Then the fortunes of each company were followed as carefully as possible throughout the several campaigns of the war. But it was found that a great amount of unpublished material is still preserved in our State Archives, County and Town Records, and elsewhere; and this, in the light of the great number of names identified in these credits as soldiers, becomes available and interesting as history. Additional material has been gathered and incorporated here from all sources, whenever it would add to the sum of knowledge concerning the war.

The officers and soldiers, many of them, served in several, some in all, the different campaigns; and thus, in following their fortunes, it was necessary to go over the same events many times, so as to marshal the various companies in order in the military operations.

It will be seen that by this method of arrangement a great amount of important material has been massed together conveniently for the study of history, while the story of the war has not been followed by consecutive events, but according to the experience of individual officers and companies. This inconvenience has been obviated by the preparation of the Introductory Chapter, which presents the course of events in consecutive order.

The first edition of the work was published in 1892, and soon exhausted. By numerous applications for the book, and by the



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advice of many who knew the value of the work, I decided to issue a second edition, though this involved the expense of reprinting the volume entire. Contemplating at first only the reissue of the former work, I expected that two months would be sufficient time to complete the matter. I soon saw, however, the opportunity to immensely increase the value of the book by including, in the Introductory Chapter, an account of the Indian wars of New England from the beginning. The time and labor involved in this addition are not seen in the result, but my readers will be saved much time and perplexity by the matter here gathered.

In revising and recasting the former work, I corrected all proof by original documents, and was delighted to find that very few corrections were needed. Having in mind the new demand for critical accuracy imposed by the growing interest in American genealogy and biography, and especially in the patriotic societies, like the "Society of Colonial Wars," I have spared no pains to make my book absolutely correct. I have tested the lists of names, the dates, and other matter, from Hull's accounts, and am confident that they are entirely accurate. I have realized the importance of absolute accuracy here, since any one who can trace descent from one of these who are credited with military service, has an indisputable claim to membership in the above-named society.

Much new material has been added in the body of the work, besides the new chapters at the end. The footnotes from the former edition have been mostly embodied in the text. The lists of the Narraganset Grantees have been collected by me after a diligent research extending over many years. The old Proprietors' Records are widely scattered, and several are in private hands, but, with one exception, my lists are copied directly from the original, and that list, — "Narraganset No. 1," was copied and published by such a careful hand, and is so fully confirmed by Hull's credits, that I consider it of the highest authority. These lists form an entirely new department, while logically following the previous story of the great war of 1675-7.

There is no doubt that Plymouth and Connecticut Colonies had treasurers' accounts, like these of Massachusetts, and it is an irreparable loss to history that none are found preserved. In order to remedy this defect in a slight degree I have tried to



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gather items relating to the wars in those colonies from every available source. The "Voluntown lists" of Connecticut, and those of Numbers 4 and 7 of Massachusetts, relating to Plymouth Colony, will be found important additions.

Into the Appendix, as well as the "list of later credits," I have tried to crowd all items bearing directly upon the Indian wars of New England, in order to make my volume complete in itself. I have given the lists of governors and deputy-governors of the three colonies from 1620 to 1687. The "triple alliance" for war with the Indians shut out the Rhode Island Colony, "on doctrinal grounds," so that she won no glory in the war save that which crowns the "Good Samaritan."

The Indexes have been prepared with utmost care for the convenience and help of the readers, but no extended analysis of the relations of names has been attempted. Cross-references have been made in cases where the relation might not be readily noted.

My new volume has grown to nearly one hundred pages beyond the first promise to my subscribers, with an added expense of several hundred dollars and a delay of some six months. I am consoled by the thought that my present loss is to be a permanent gain to my readers.

In the course of my labors I have received encouragement and kindly assistance from many, some of whose names are mentioned in connection with special favors: To Mr. John Ward Dean and Mr. W. P. Greenlaw, of the New England Historic Genealogical Society; Dr. Samuel A. Green, Mr. Charles J. Hoadly, Mr. J. C. J. Brown, Hon. George Sheldon, Mr. H. E. Waite, Mr. Walter K. Watkins, Capt. Philip Reade, Mr. Seymour Morris, Mr. Howland Pell, and many others, I wish here to renew the assurance of my appreciation of their courtesy and kindness. To the members of my own family, too, for their continued patient help, my word of appreciation may properly be spoken here; and especially along these pages I shall always find familiar traces of the faithful "vanished hand" of my beloved daughter, May Alice Bodge, whose loving earthly service closed just before this volume was completed. And to the advance subscribers, who have responded with such ready interest to my prospectus, I wish to say that my own satisfaction with the volume will be measured largely by the satisfaction and help which they receive from it.



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One other element of satisfaction will enter into my enjoyment of the completed work: I have been able, in the course of it, to settle some disputed questions by the discovery of new testimony, to assign to their proper places of honor some of the old-time leaders, and to do some measure of tardy justice to many a brave and true but long-forgotten name, by summoning again, from their two centuries of oblivion, these dusky battalions of the "First American Army," and marshalling them, "roster, rank, and file," upon the permanent page of American history.

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INTRODUCTORY CHAPTER.

CONTAINING A CONCISE HISTORY OF THE INDIAN WARS OF NEW ENGLAND FROM 1620 TO 1677.

THE first event in the Indian wars of New England, as related to its settlement by our forefathers, occurred on the 8th of December, 1620, while a company of the Pilgrims were coasting along the shores towards Plymouth Bay, in their shallop. The story is briefly, but graphically, told by Nathaniel Morton, for many years clerk of the Colony, and the author of what he called "New England's Memorial."

After relating their experiences in Cape Cod Harbor, during the

month of November, he says:

"On the 6th of December they concluded to send out their shallop again on a third discovery. The names of those who

went upon this discovery were

"Mr. John Carver, Mr. William Bradford, Mr. Edward Winslow, Capt. Miles Standish, Mr. John Howland, Mr. Richard Warren, Mr. Stephen Hopkins, Mr. Edward Tilly, Mr. John Tilly, Mr. Clark, Mr. Coppin, John Allerton, Thomas English, and Edward Doten, with the master gunner of the ship, and three of the common seamen. These set sail on Wednesday, the sixth day of December, 1620, intending to circulate the deep bay of Cape Cod, the weather being very cold, so as the spray of the sea lighting on the coats they were as if they had been glazed; notwithstanding, that night they got down into the bottom of the bay, and as they drew near the shore, they saw some ten or twelve Indians, and landed about a league off them (but with some difficulty, by reason of the shoals in that place) where they tarried that night. Next morning they divided their company to coast along, some on shore and some in the boat, where they saw the Indians had been the day before, cutting up a fish like a grampus; and so they ranged up and down all that day, but found no people, nor any place they liked, as fit for their settlement; and that night, they on shore met their boat at a certain creek where they made them a barricado of boughs and logs, for their lodging that night, and, being weary, betook themselves to rest.



"The next morning about five o'clock (seeking guidance and protection from God by prayer,) and refreshing themselves in way of preparation, to persist on their intended expedition, some of them carried their arms down to the boat, having laid them up in their coats from the moisture of the weather; but others said they would not carry theirs until they went themselves. But presently, all on a sudden, about the dawning of the day, they heard a great and strange cry, and one of their company being on board, came hastily in and cried, Indians! Indians! and withal, their arrows came flying amongst them; on which all their men ran with speed to recover their arms; as by God's good providence they did. In the meantime some of those that were ready, discharged two muskets at them, and two more stood ready at the entrance of their rendezvous, but were commanded not to shoot until they could take full aim at them; and the other two charged again with all speed, for there were only four that had arms there, and defended the barricado which was first assaulted. The cry of the Indians was dreadful, especially when they saw the men run out of their rendezvous towards the shallop, to recover their arms, the Indians wheeling about upon them; but some running out with coats of mail and cuttle-axes in their hands, they soon recovered their arms, and discharged amongst them, and stayed their violence. Notwithstanding there was a lusty man, and no less valiant, stood behind a tree within half a musket shot, and let his arrows fly amongst them; he was seen to shoot three arrows, which were all avoided, and stood three shot of musket, until one taking full aim at him, made the bark or splinters of the tree fly about his ears, after which he gave an extraordinary shriek, and away they went all of them; and so leaving some to keep the shallop, they followed them about a quarter of a mile, that they might conceive that they were not afraid of them, or any way discouraged.

"Thus it pleased God to vanquish their enemies, and to give them deliverance, and by his special providence so to dispose, that not any of them was either hurt or hit though their arrows came close by them; and sundry of their coats, which hung up in the barricado, were shot through and through. For which salvation and deliverance they rendered solemn thanksgiving unto the

Lord."

This was the first battle with the Indians, and the scene of it was called by them at that time "First Encounter." This spot is in the present town of Eastham. They picked up eighteen of the Indian arrows and sent them home to England by "Master Jones." Some of the arrows were headed with brass, some with hart's horn, and some with eagle's claws. It was late at night, and in a heavy storm, that they with much difficulty made what is now Plymouth Harbor, and lay-to under the lee of the Island, which they named "Clark's Island,"



because Mr. Clark of their company was the first to step ashore next morning. Here they remained the next day, and here, on the next, kept the memorable Sabbath.

The following Monday they explored Plymouth Bay and resolved on this locality for their settlement, and so returned to

their ship at Provincetown Harbor.

The Landing of the Pilgrims was made on Dec. 21, 1620, at the place known to the Indians as Patuxit, now Plymouth.

During the terrible scenes of the following Winter, the Indians, from time to time, showed themselves at a long distance watching their movements, but not troubling. In March, however, the famous Samoset came boldly into their midst and addressed them in broken English. He made them understand that he was from the Eastern part of the coast, and had known certain English fishermen, from whom he had learned the language. He was very friendly and helpful to the Pilgrims ever afterwards, in many ways. He told them of another Indian, Squanto or Tisquanto, of the tribes near this place, who had been in England, and could speak English better than himself. Kindly entertained by the English, he came to them again shortly afterwards, bringing some other Indians with him, and announced a visit to be made in a few days by the great Sachem, Massasoit, who came five days later, with the above-mentioned Squanto, and the chief of his friends and attendants. Massasoit was Sachem of what had been a large and powerful people, but now greatly weakened by the fearful devastations of a plague, which had swept away a large part of his tribes along the coast, a few years only before the English landed at Plymouth. His residence, at this time, was at Sowams, or Sowamset (now a part of Barrington, R.I.). His dominion extended over the Massachusetts tribes as far as the Charles River, and it is supposed that the Pawtucket was the boundary between his people, known as the Wampanoags, and the Narragansets. The Cape Indians gave him allegiance, and all that part of Rhode Island east of Narraganset Bay. One residence of his was at Mount Hope, not far from the present city of Fall River, which became afterwards the permanent residence of his son Philip, or Metacom. On the occasion of Massasoit's visit, a treaty of peace was arranged between him and the English. This treaty was for help against other tribes and outside enemies: a league, indeed, for natural protection. It was the first treaty ever made in New England, and was the most important. The Wampanoags, in their present weakened condition, feared the power of the strong and warlike Narragansets, so that this league of defence was as necessary to them as to the English; and to the small band of Pilgrims it meant nothing less than their salvation, since it threw their frontier fifty miles away instead of one, and united their interests with a great tribe, who were made strong by this league itself. After this treaty,



Squanto remained at Plymouth as the interpreter and counsellor of the English. The treaty was faithfully kept by Massasoit while he lived. The dominion properly belonging to the Wam-

panoags was known as Pokanoket.

The next trouble had with the Indians, after this treaty, was caused by an Indian chief named Corbitant, who lived near Nemasket, now Middleborough. Squanto had been joined at Plymouth by another friendly and influential Indian named Hobomak, and the two were sent out as agents of the English, among the tribes, to manage their trade in fur and other commodities. Corbitant provoked a quarrel, and attempted to stab Hobomak, who escaped to Plymouth and reported the assault, and his fears that Squanto had been slain. Immediately Capt. Miles Standish and fourteen men marched to the Indian town and beset the wigwam of Corbitant, but found him gone. But they found Squanto had not been killed. In the attack upon Corbitant's wigwam, two or three of the natives were unintentionally wounded, and these were brought to Plymouth, and kindly cared for by the English. After this, several of the surrounding chiefs came in and declared their friendship, and Corbitant himself, through Massasoit, sought to make peace with them. In September of this year (1621) a shallop was fitted out with ten men, and Squanto as guide and interpreter, and explored Massachusetts Bay along the shores of Dorchester, Boston, and the peninsula between the Mystic and the Charles Rivers. They were welcomed to this vicinity by Obbatinewat, the Sagamore of Shawmut. He accompanied them across the Charles River, and they tried to find the Squaw-Sachem of the remnants of the Massachusetts tribes, widow of the great Sachem, Nanepashemet, but were unsuccessful.

During November, 1621, a messenger came from the Narragansets, bearing a challenge to war, as Squanto explained it, a snake-skin tilled with arrows. For answer, Gov. Bradford filled the snake-skin with powder and bullets and sent it back to the Sachem, Canonicus, with the word that he was ready for either war or peace. Then the Pilgrims fortified their houses with palisades and set a guard at night, and arranged their fighting force in order for defence. During the Summer of 1622 they built a timber fort, "strong and comely, with flat roof and battlements;" upon this, ordnance was mounted, and a watch The fort also served as a place of worship. "unruly" company, which came in Robert Cushman's ship, in 1621, and had lived upon the hospitality of the Pilgrims through the Winter and Spring, reducing their Colony to the verge of a famine, went away in August, to form a new plantation at a place since called Weymouth, under the grant to Mr. Thomas Weston. These colonists proved to be an indolent and wayward set. abused the confidence of the Indians, and finally caused a



threatened outbreak, which rumor having come to the ears of the Governor, by a message from Massasoit, by Hobomak, Capt. Miles Standish, with a company of eight men, with Hobomak as guide,—for he would not excite the suspicions of the Indians with a larger company,—marched to Wessaguseus (Weymouth), whence a certain Phineas Prat had fled, half famished, and disclosed a pitiful story of the destitution of Mr. Weston's colony. Capt. Standish found these men in great suffering, but not suspecting any plot of the Indians. Hobomak had discovered that the general assault upon the settlers was to be begun here upon the weakened and helpless men of Wessaguseus, and then this should be the signal for a general attack of all the tribes in the league,

no less than seven distinct tribes being in the plot.

Soon after the arrival of the Captain and his men, an Indian came into the settlement as if for trade, and soon went away without molestation; but the Captain suspected that he knew the purpose of their coming. Soon after, Peksuot. a chief of bold spirit, came in and told Hobomak that he understood that Capt. Standish had come to kill him and the rest of the Indians there, and dared him to begin. Then Wittuwamet and other Indians, in increasing numbers, began to come amongst them, growing more and more insulting, flourishing their knives and boasting of their strength. Finally, after bearing with their insults a long time, the Captain and his men managed to get Peksuot and Wittuwamet into a room together, with a few others, and then made a sudden attack upon them, disarmed and killed them, Peksuot being slain with his own knife, in the hands of the Captain, and Wittuwamet by the others. They then gave orders to Weston's men to kill the Indians with them, of whom they killed two. Then the Captain and his men began a general hunt for all Indians about, intending to make a sweep of all; but the Indians, getting news of the intention, fled. Winslow and Standish have been blamed for this sanguinary performance, but it was probably a question of killing or being killed, with them.

The English believed that for their own safety they must try to strike terror to the tribes, so they set the head of Wittuwamet upon the battlements of their block-house. The terror inspired by the English guns was so great, that many of the Indians fled into the swamps and woods, and many perished from cold and

hunger, in their wanderings.

However harsh these measures may appear to us now, we have to remember the precarious situation in which the Pilgrims were placed, — a small hamlet on the shore of a vast unknown wilderness, with countless hosts of savages swarming about, and only restrained by a wholesome fear of the English firearms and the sturdy courage of Standish and his "men-at-arms." The Pilgrims themselves had hitherto treated all Indians who came in



a friendly manner, with kindness and justice. The roystering sailors, who had spent a Winter in the Colony, and the unruly elements of Weston's men, had cajoled, cheated, quarrelled with, and abused the Indians who came to trade, and those Indians who were jealous of Hobomak and Squanto and Massasoit, took these occasions to organize a revolt, by which there was good evidence to show that they meant the total destruction of the English settlements. Wary and prompt action was a necessity at that time. The event proved the strategic wisdom of the action, however unchristian it seems; for such dread of the English, and respect for their prowess, was inspired, that for many years there were no notable revolts of the neighboring Indians.

The Pequod Indians caused the next trouble for the Colonies, and at one time seemed so formidable as to threaten their de-The Massachusetts Colony had been founded in 1630, and other flourishing plantations had been established at Salem and in the vicinity of Boston. The Dutch had settled at Manhattan, and made some attempts on the lower Connecticut River. In a few years Massachusetts had grown to be recognized as the leading Colony. In 1634 the Pequod Indians first began to be troublesome. They were a strong and warlike tribe. who had come down the Connecticut River, years before, and seized upon the best lands at its lower parts. They had, with great cruelty, driven out the original tribes, and planted their principal town on the river, "twelve miles to the Eastward of the Connecticut River," which from them took the name of the "Pequod River." They had committed depredations upon the Dutch, and were at war with the great Narraganset nation. The Sachems of the Pequods were Tatobam, and afterwards Sassacus; and of the Narragansets, Canonicus and Miantonomo. The first overt act against the English was the killing of Capt. John Stone, whose vessel was coasting near the mouth of the Connecticut River, in 1634. Capt. Stone was formerly of the West Indies, but was known, rather unfavorably, both at Plymouth and Boston. He had committed some outrage against the Dutch, and was accused of piracy. He started on a trading voyage from Boston to the Eastward as far as York, where he took on Capt. John Norton as an associate in trade, or as passenger, and sailed towards Virginia; but went into the Connecticut, and there, upon some trouble with the Pequods, was overcome and slain with all his crew.

The Pequods, soon afterwards, sent messengers to the Massachusetts Colony to engage in a treaty of peace and friendship. When the above crime was laid to their charge, they claimed that it was done in self-defence. The magistrates demanded that those who had part in the murder should be surrendered, but were not very strenuous in pressing the claim, as the Indians told



them that only two of those who had part in the act were left. The Indians made presents of "much wampum and beaver." The treaty was concluded, and it was promised that the English would send a ship to trade with them, and would negotiate a treaty for them with the Narragansets, which they much desired, but were too proud to propose, but were willing the English should offer their foes a part of the wampum and beaver which they brought. The Pequods had, at first, and up to about 1633-4, held the Narragansets in subjection, but the latter were now at war and asserting their independence. The Pequods had, some time before, cut off a party of Indians who were on their way to trade with the Dutch, at their trading-house upon the Connecticut River, and in retaliation the Dutch had captured their old Sachem, Tatobam, and a small party of Indians with him, whom they killed. Tatobam was killed after Capt. Stone's death, and was succeeded by Sassacus. The promised vessel was sent out to the Pequods to trade. There is reason to think that this vessel was in charge of Mr. John Oldham, a man who had formerly caused trouble at Plymouth, being concerned in the revolt of Rev. John Lyford, and afterwards exiled from that Colony, and located at Watertown. He was of turbulent temper, but good ability. From some cause he did not succeed in making any advantageous trade with the Pequods, but secured a load of corn from the Indians nearer home, and excited the jealousy of certain of the Narragansets, so that when, next year, he was cruising about with but two Indians and two English lads in his crew, and ran in at Block Island to trade, a large body of the Island Indians came on board and killed him. They overpowered his crew and took his vessel, which they were robbing, when discovered by John Gallop, of Boston Harbor, a skipper and pilot, who with his vessel, coasting along, discovered Oldham's vessel near the shore, and hailed, but received no answer, and then observed that the craft was in possession of the Indians, who were trying to get her under sail. Gallop, perceiving that they had stolen Oldham's vessel, immediately sailed up towards them, though having only his two boys and a servant for a crew, and but two guns and two pistols, with buckshot for bullets. Sailing close alongside, he opened fire and drove the Indians below deck; and making fast, went on board and discovered the body of Oldham, wrapped in fishing-nets. There are two different stories of this affair by contemporary writers; one is that told by Gov. John Winthrop, and the other by Rev. Thomas Cobbet, of Ipswich, who had it directly from John Gallop, Jr., who was with his father in the affair; and afterwards, as Captain of a Connecticut company, on Dec. 19, 1675, was killed at the great Swamp Fight with the Narragansets. Capt. Gallop killed, or drove overboard, most of the Indians, captured four, one of whom he killed, and carried one away. By stress of



weather he was obliged to cut adrift the craft, which he stripped of her rigging, leaving the other two Indians in the hold alive. He sailed to Saybrook Fort, just built, at the mouth of the Connecticut, and there delivered his prisoner. The two Narragansets, who had been with Oldham, had already escaped and reported to Canonicus, who was Sachem of the Block Island Indians, and he dispatched these two with the prisoner, and a letter of explanation, written by Roger Williams, of Providence, his friend, to Gov. Winthrop, of Massachusetts, saying that he had already sent Miantonomo, with a strong force, to punish the Block Islanders, and bring the murderers to justice. The Massachusetts magistrates demanded of Canonicus the restoration of the goods taken from Oldham, the return of the two lads taken with him, and vengeance upon the murderers. They suspected one of the messengers, who had been with Mr. Oldham, but respecting the rights of a messenger, sent him back safely. It was found, by those who came with the boys from Miantonomo, that seven of the Indians who had been killed by Capt. Gallop were chiefs, and that the others, except the prisoner sent to them,

had escaped to the Pequods, who now sheltered them.

An embassy, consisting of Lieut. Edward Gibbons and John Higginson, of Boston, with the Sachem of Massachusetts, Cutshamakin, was sent to treat directly with Canonicus, about John Oldham's murder. They reported favorably of the honesty and kindness of the old Sachem, on their return, but the magistrates determined to send out an expedition, and themselves wreak vengeance upon the people of Block Island. This expedition was raised from Massachusetts, by order of the new governor, Henry Vane. The Colonial records do not contain the account of its raising and outfit. But Gov. Winthrop tells the story. The force to be raised was ninety men, to be divided into four companies, under command of Capt. John Underhill, Nathaniel Turner, Ensign William Jennison, and Ensign Richard Davenport, and over all John Endecott, Esq., was appointed general, to command the expedition. This force sailed in "three pinnaces" and "two shallops." They took two Indians as guides. They had commission to land at Block Island, and put all the men they could find to death, but to spare the women and children and bring them away captive, and take possession of the Island, and thence go to the Pequods and require satisfaction of them, and demand the surrender of the murderers of Capt. Stone and other English victims, and a thousand fathom of wampum, for damages, with some of their children as hostages, and if they should refuse, to take these things by force. All who went in this expedition were volunteers. They executed their commission in part. Setting sail on Aug. 24, 1636, they arrived at Block Island on the 31st, where they landed with much difficulty, finding about forty Indians on the shore waiting to receive them.



with their bows and arrows, which were harmless, our men having corselets. Two only were wounded, one in the neck and another in the foot. As soon as the English made a landing. the Indians all fled. The Island is described as about ten miles long, four broad, "full of small hills and all overgrown with brushwood of oak." They could only march single file, and it was impossible to get at the savages. They found two large plantations, some three miles apart, and about sixty wigwams, some well-built and large. There were about two hundred acres of corn, some gathered in heaps, some left standing. They spent two days in a vain search for the inhabitants, and then burnt their wigwams and all their "matts," destroyed what corn they could, spoiled seven canoes, and killed one Indian, as was afterwards reported. Then they sailed to the Connecticut, and being reinforced at Saybrook Fort with Lieut. Gardener, with twenty men and two shallops, they sailed to Pequod Harbor, where an Indian came, in a canoe, to ask "who they were, and what they wanted." The General told him that they came from the Governor of Massachusetts to speak with their Sachems. He said that their Sachem, Sassacus, had gone to Long Island, and was told to go and summon the other Sachems. Then the English landed upon a rough and rocky shore, and soon the messenger returned, and great numbers of the savages began to gather about them until there seemed to be some three hundred, and still the Sachems did not appear. At last, after several hours, the General saw that they were but dallying, and announced his demands, and said if they were not complied with at once, he would fight them, and bade them begone and take care of themselves, for he had come now to fight. But he would not allow any shot to be fired until they had time to withdraw from the parley. Then our forces followed them, but they did not make any stand; only they would turn and shoot their arrows from behind rocks and trees, but did no harm, while some of the English killed two of theirs. So the English marched up to their town, and burnt all their wigwams and matts; but the corn was still standing in the field, and could not be readily destroyed. Returning at night to their vessels, on the next day they went ashore on the west side of the river, and having destroyed some wigwams and canoes, but finding no Indians, sailed away homeward. They arrived at Boston in September, without the loss of a single man in the whole expedition. Cutshamakin, a chief of the Massachusetts tribe, early residing in that part of Dorchester which became Milton, went in this expedition as an interpreter: and while scouting with the English, wavlaid, killed, and scalped a Pequod. He carried the scalp to Canonicus, who sent it about to his chiefs, thus signifying his approval of the deed and his loyalty to the English. To the Pequods this meant a declaration of war, and threw them at once into active hostilities against the

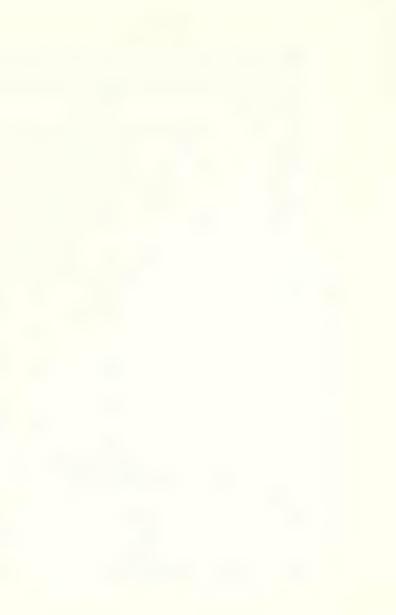


English and their allies. Not more than a dozen of their men had been killed in the raid into their country, which they understood to be a search for "Block Island fugitives;" but this exploit of Cutshamakin's meant war. This whole expedition cost Massachusetts only two hundred pounds, as the officers and soldiers

served without pay.

The Pequods now tried to make peace with the Narragansets, but in vain. They sought to break up the new English settlements, now being established on the Connecticut by settlers from Plymouth and Massachusetts, at Windsor, Wethersfield, and Hartford, and had shown their hostility to the garrison at Saybrook; and now, when the Massachusetts troops retired, these new towns and the garrison were left in a very critical situation; and Lieut. Gardener complained of the affair to the Colonies. When the English had reëmbarked at Pequod Harbor, two of his soldiers had, somehow, been left behind, and were severely The Saybrook garrison were in a state of siege for many months; and whenever they ventured from the fort, were followed by the savages, with intent to lure them into ambush. The only safety of the English, here, lay in their possession of firearms, which struck terror to their enemies, and even with these the Saybrook men came near being cut off on several occasions. The authorities at Plymouth did not approve of the action of Massachusetts, and wrote them, stating that they had not accomplished any advantage by this expedition, but rather stirred up strife to no good end; which letter was answered by Massachusetts justifying their course. Lieut. Gardener wrote a full and straightforward account of this expedition, which was published. One young man, of Saybrook, Samuel Butterfield, was captured at a short distance above the fort, and the place was long known as Butterfield's Meadow. Another small party, a few days later, was beset by a great company, and two were cut John Tilly, master of a ship, a very strong man, was captured and tortured to death by the savages. In April, 1637, the Indians waylaid some of the people of Wethersfield, near the fort, as they were going to the fields, and killed six men and three women, and at the same time made captive two girls. Some of their victims were killed with tortures, which roused the Colonies to plans of retaliation, as well as measures for their safety. two girls were redeemed and returned by the Dutch, through Lieut. Gardener.

April 10, 1637, Capt. Underhill with a company of twenty men was sent to strengthen the garrison at Saybrook Fort, then in command of Lieut. Lion Gardener. This was done at the charge of the "gentlemen of Saybrook," and for the protection of their plantations, by a vote of the Massachusetts Colony. Negotiations were begun between Massachusetts and Plymouth about joining in war against the Pequods, while plantations upon the



Connecticut were constantly increasing, by additions from Boston and surrounding towns. Capt. John Mason, who in 1632, as a lieutenant, had been sent to the Eastward in search of the noted pirate, Dixy Bull, was made captain of the militia, in November, of the same year; removed to Windsor, Conn., with Mr. Warham, in 1635, and there became the captain of their military company, and the hero of the "Pequod War."

The three Colonies, having agreed to unite in a war against the Pequods, and having engaged the Narragansets and other minor tribes to serve with them, took measures to carry out their plans. Massachusetts agreed to raise one hundred and sixty men, under the command of Capt. Daniel Patrick, of Watertown, and Capt. William Trask, of Salem; while Capt. Israel Stoughton, of Dorchester, was chosen commander-in-chief of the expedition, and Rev. John Wilson, pastor of the church in Boston, went as chaplain. Plymouth agreed to send fifty men, under Lieut. William Holmes, as commander, and Rev. Thomas Prince, as chaplain and counsellor. Thirty of these men were to be sent for land service, and as many others as should be required to manage the barques. The list of names, and further particulars about the preparations, will be found in the Appendix. It may be said here that before these were ready, the war was nearly finished, so they were not sent.

The towns on the Connecticut River, Windsor, Hartford, and Wethersfield, being most concerned in this war, were most forward in its prosecution. May 1, 1637, the General Court at Hartford voted "an offensive war against the Pequods." On May 10, 1637, ninety men had been raised in these three towns, forty-two from Hartford, thirty from Windsor, and eighteen from Wethersfield, - equipped for war, and under the command of Capt. John Mason, of Windsor, and Lieut. Robert Seely (Sealy), of Wethersfield, embarked on board "one Pink, one Pinnace, and one Shallop," with the Sachem Uncas and seventy of his Mohegan Indians along as allies. The water of the river being low, the vessels often ran aground, which made the progress so slow that the Indians grew impatient and asked to be set ashore to go on foot to Saybrook Fort, which was done. When the Indians reported at the fort, Lieut. Gardener distrusted their honesty, and demanded some proof of their good faith. Uncas sent out a war-party, who found six of the Pequods, four of whom they killed, one escaped, and another they brought captive to the fort, where he was put to death. This victim's name was Kiswas. On Wednesday Capt. Mason with the Connecticut force arrived at the fort, and on Friday set sail for Narraganset. At Saybrook Fort Lieut. Gardener had reinforced their company with Lieut. Underhill and twenty of his best men, with such supplies as they needed, and sent Mr. Thomas Pell with them as surgeon. Twenty of the least serviceable of



Capt. Mason's men were sent back to the plantations to strengthen them. The Mohegans sailed with them. They arrived at Narraganset on Saturday evening and there "kept the Sabbath." They lay wind-bound off shore until Tuesday evening, when they landed and marched about five miles inland to the residence of the Narraganset Sachem, Canonicus, to whom Capt. Mason apologized for marching into his country with an armed force without giving him previous notice. He requested permission of the Sachem to pass with his troops through his dominions, and declared his purpose of making war on the Pequods, on account of the outrages against the English. Canonicus received them kindly, but warned them that the Pequods were strong and crafty warriors, many hundred in number, and now securely entrenched in two great forts. Having gained the permission desired, they marched, on Wednesday morning, to a place called Niantick, on the Pequod frontier, where the Narragansets had a fort. The Indians here appearing somewhat inhospitable, Capt. Mason placed guards about their fort, so that they might not be able to carry news of his design to the enemy. Here they passed the night. In the meantime a messenger had come from Capt. Patrick, who was at Providence, with a company of forty men from Massachusetts, a part of the force to be sent from that Colony upon the present expedition. He requested Capt. Mason to wait for him to join his force, but did not tell when he would come.

Capt. Mason and his officers in council decided that secreev and haste were more valuable than the additional numbers, and so determined to push forward with their present force. In the morning there came a party of the Narragansets from Miantonomo, nephew and associate Sachem of Canonicus, who offered to join and assist in their design. Then the Indians in the fort came out and engaged with them for the same end. About eight o'clock on Tuesday morning, with seventy-seven English and a company of near five hundred Indians, they marched twelve miles to a ford of the Pawcatuck River, where they halted for a rest. Here many of the Narragansets turned back. The heat being extreme, another halt was made about three miles farther on, and a council was called to decide the method of attack. Uncas, and the renegade Pequod "Wequash," their guide, were consulted; who told them of two strong forts of the Pequeds, several miles apart, and they decided, at first, to attack both at the same time; but finding the farthest so distant, and the troops so weary with the heat and the long march, that they could hardly reach it before midnight, they were forced to choose the nearest. This was a disappointment, as they heard that Sassacus, the chief Sachem of the Pequods, was at the distant fort. Marching silently towards the nearest fort, they halted, about one hour after dark, in a small valley and there made their camp.



Posting their guards around the camp, and at some distance in front, they rested upon their arms until dawn. Their outposts reported that they could hear the Pequods, in their fort, shouting and rejoicing after their manner, till past midnight; the cause being the supposed flight of the English, whose vessels they had seen sailing to the Eastward. At break of day the soldiers were mustered quickly and silently for the battle, the Indians keeping far in the rear. After marching about two miles, and not yet seeing signs of the fort, Capt. Mason called Uneas and Wequash to him, and they pointed out the fort at the top of a high hill close at hand. He told them to ask the Indians not to fly and leave them until they had seen whether Englishmen would fight. Then forming their line of battle, they marched in two divisions, Capt. Mason intending with the first to gain the entrance at the North-east, and Capt. Underhill that at the South side. Capt. Mason's company approached within one rod of the palisade, before any alarm was sounded from the fort. Then, as he relates, they "heard a dog bark, and an Indian crying Owanux! Owanux! which is, Englishmen! Englishmen!" And now I will quote from Capt. Mason's own words:

We called up our Forces with all expedition, gave Fire through the Pallizado upon them; the Indians being in a dead, indeed in their last Sleep. Then we wheeling off fell upon the main Entrance, which was blocked up with Bushes about Breast high, over which the Captain passed, intending to make good the Entrance, encouraging the rest to follow. Lieutenant Seeley endeavoured to enter; but being somewhat cumbred stepped back and pulled out the Bushes and so entered, and with him about sixteen Men. We had formerly concluded to destroy

them by the Sword and save the Plunder.

Whereupon Captain Mason seeing no Indians entred a Wigwam; where he was beset with many Indians, waiting all opportunities to lay Hands on him, but could not prevail. At length William Heydon espying the Breach in the Wigwam, supposing some English might be there, entred; but in his Entrance fell over a dead Indian; but speedily recovering himself, the Indians some fled, others crept under their Beds: The Captain going out of the Wigwam saw many Indians in the Lane or Street; he making towards them, they fled, were pursued to the End of the Lane, where they were met by Edward Pattison, Thomas Barber, with some others; where seven of them were Slain, as they said. The Captain facing about, Marched at slow Pace up the Lane he came down, perceiving himself very much out of Breath; and coming to the other End near the Place he first entred, saw two Soldiers standing close to the Pallizado with their Swords pointed to the Ground: The Captain told them that We should never kill them after that manner: The Captain also said, We must Burn them; and immediately stepping into the Wigwam where he had been before, brought out a Firebrand, and putting it into the Matts with which they were covered, set the Wigwams on Fire. Lieutenant Thomas Bull and Nicholas Omsted



beholding, came up; and when it was thoroughly kindled, the Indians ran about as most dreadfully Amazed.

And indeed such a dreadful Terror did the Almighty let fall upon their Spirits, that they would fly from us and run into the very Flames, where many of them perished. And when the Fort was thoroughly Fired, Command was given, that all should fall off and surround the Fort; which was readily attended by all; only one Arthur Smith being so wounded that he could not move out of the Place, who was happily espied by Lieutenant Bull, and by him rescued.

The Fire was kindled on the North East Side to windward: which did swiftly overrun the Fort, to the extream Amazement of the Enemy, and great Rejoycing of our selves. Some of them climbing to the Top of the Pallizado; others of them running into the very Flames; many of them gathering to windward, lay pelting at us with their Arrows; and we repayed them with our small Shot: Others of the Stoutest issued forth, as we did guess, to the Number of Forty, who perished by the Sword.

What I have formerly said, is according to my own Knowledge, there

being sufficient living Testimony to every Particular.

But in reference to Captain Underhill and his Parties acting in this Assault, I can only intimate as we were informed by some of themselves immediately after the Fight, Thus, They Marching up to the Entrance on the South West Side, there made some Pause; a valiant, resolute Gentleman, one Mr. Hedge, stepping towards the Gate, saving, If we may not Enter, wherefore came we here; and immediately endeavoured to Enter; but was opposed by a sturdy Indian which did impede his Entrance; but the Indian being slain by himself and Sergeant Davis, Mr. Hedge Entred the Fort with some others; but the Fort being on Fire, the Smoak and Flames were so violent that they were constrained to desert the Fort.

Capt. Underhill also wrote a full account of the battle, which differs but little from that of Capt. Mason. He says that they found the South entrance stopped up with "arms of trees." It seems that the Indians had made a rude "abattis" with the tops of trees turned outward, the trunks buried with rocks and earth. This made a very effectual barrier to an attack from without, when defended from within. Capt. Underhill advanced to these and tried to pull them away, and then commanded his men to lay hold of them, which they did, and removed them and entered the fort, without his command. Among those first entering was "one Master Hedge," who was attacked by a powerful savage, and was shot through both arms. Capt. Mason speaks of this young man as having performed a very brave act, and a contemporary writer, in London, gives account of the battle, in which he rather slurs Capt. Underhill. and makes this Hedge the leader of the attack at the South Capt. Underhill resented this story bitterly, and denied that he asked the question "Shall we enter?" as this last writer reported. He says that with his soldiers he entered the



fort, and with Capt. Mason entered the wigwam, and received a wound from an arrow, in his left hip, though having on "a sufficient buff coat." He describes the fight as very desperate and brave on the part of the Indians. "Most courageously these Pequeats behaved themselves," he says. And he declares that their bows and arrows were by no means to be despised, as they used them there. "But seeing the fort was too hot for us," he says, "we devised a way by which we might save ourselves, and prejudice them." Capt. Mason set fire to the wigwams with a firebrand, and he "with a train of powder," the two columns of fire meeting in the centre of the fort. The fire was so hot that it burnt the bowstrings of the Indians and left them defenceless. If any escaped the English, they fell into the hands of the Mohegans or Narragansets, to be cut down without mercy. He says, "Many courageous fellows fought most desperately through the palisadoes, while scorehed and burnt by the flames; mercy did they deserve for their valor, could we have had opportunity to bestow it." "It may be demanded, Should not Christians have more mercy and compassion? But I would refer you to David's war. Sometimes the Scripture declareth women and children must perish with their parents. We had sufficient light from the word of God for our proceedings."

The number of the Pequods slain in this terrible fight has been variously estimated. Capt. Mason thought six or seven hundred. The Mohegans reported that there were four hundred killed. Only seven escaped and seven taken captive. The whole dreadful deed was completed in one hour from the beginning of

the attack.

Only two of the English were killed and about twenty wounded. But after the fight, though victorious, the English found themselves in trying conditions; they were severely oppressed with the heat, and thirsty, with no supply of water and with scant supply of food. They were told that Sassacus, with a large force of Pequods, was hastening from the other fort, and the Narragansets were in great trepidation to be gone. They were uncertain about what time their vessels would appear, or where. Just as the Pequods began to appear, and, maddened by the awful calamity which had befallen their people, to attack them with fury, they saw their vessels coming toward them with a fair wind. The rear-guard, under Capt. Underhill, met the enemy's attack so warmly, that they became more wary, and, manœuvring to outflank the English, came upon the Mohegans and Narragansets, driving them to the shelter of the English muskets. They kept up a fierce fight until within two miles of the vessels in Pequod River, then withdrew.

Arriving at the shore, Capt. Mason and his little army, wellnigh spent with their marching and fighting, were refreshed with supplies from their yessels. Here they found Capt. Patrick, with



his company of forty men, who had joined our vessels with his own, a little before. He was evidently offended that he was not waited for at Narraganset, and chagrined at the great success of Capt. Mason. From Pequod Harbor the Narragansets were sent home by sea, while Capt. Mason, with the few able-bodied men of his company, marched overland to Saybrook Fort, with Capt. Patrick and his company along. Capt. Underhill and his men, and the wounded, went by water. At the fort all were entertained by Lieut. Gardener. Thence they returned to their homes on the Connecticut, where they were received with great rejoicing. Capt. Underhill, with his company of twenty men, whose term at Saybrook had expired, sailed homeward to Massachusetts, and on the voyage met the company of one hundred men, under Capt. Israel Stoughton, sailing out to fight the Pequods. Capt. Patrick awaited this force at Saybrook.

The Indian fort which was destroyed was at a place called "Mistick," on a hill in the present town of Groton, Conn., known since as "Pequot Hill." The battle was fought on Friday,

May 26, 1637.

It is said that the evening before the battle, a hundred and fifty warriors from the other fort had come to this, in order to start in force upon the war-path the next day; either to follow the English troops toward Narraganset, or to fall upon their settlements on the Connecticut River. By this chance these had been included in the general massacre. Capt. Mason relates that after leaving their pursuit of the English near Pequod Harbor, the Pequods returned in a body to the fort in which Sassacus remained, where many of them began to upbraid him as the cause of all their troubles, and demanded the destruction of himself and his family. Wiser counsels prevailed, however, and they resolved to leave their country, now encompassed by merciless, and they conceived, resistless, enemies. Burning their villages and everything that could not be taken along with them, they retreated with their main body to the Westward across the Connecticut River, where they killed three Englishmen, after a stubborn fight, and hung their bodies upon trees on the shore.

The main body under the Sachem, Sassacus, moved slowly along the shore of the Sound, depending largely upon shell-fish for food. Another division of the tribe, probably following the other Sachem, Mononotto, pushed farther into the country. Mohegan and Narraganset scouts, at a safe distance, kept track of

them.

About one month after the battle, Capt. Stoughton, with several vessels and one hundred and twenty men from Massachusetts Colony, arrived at Pequod Harbor. Here they were joined by Capt. Patrick's company. While here, the Mohegans told them of a large party of fugitives gathered at a place some twelve miles up the river. The English marched up in force, surrounded



these, and captured them without an attempt at resistance. The number taken was about one hundred and four. Twenty-four of these were men; and twenty-two of these were taken on board the vessel of the skipper, John Gallop, and "executed" just outside the harbor. Two were spared on condition of guiding the English to the hiding-place of Sassaeus. Proving unable or unwilling to perform this service, they too, it is said, were put to death. Of the eighty women and children, thirty-three were allotted to their Indian allies, and the rest were sent home to Boston, to be sold as slaves. In a written report of his progress, made to Gov. Winthrop, Capt. Stoughton says:

By this Pinnace you shall receive forty-eight or fifty women and children, unless there stay any here to be helpful, etc., concerning which there is one, that is the fairest and largest that I saw amongst them, to whom I have given a coat to cloatheher. It is my desire to have her for a servant, if it may stand with your good liking, otherwise not. There is a little squaw that steward Culacut desireth, to whom he hath given a coate. Lieut. Davenport desireth one, to wit, a small one. He desireth her if it will stand with your good liking. Sosomon, the Indian, desireth, a young little squaw, which I know not.

In closing his report Capt. Stoughton says:

At the present Mr. Haynes, Mr. Ludlow, Capt. Mason, and thirty men are with us in Pequot River; and we shall next week join in seeing what we can do against Sassacus, and another great sagamore, Monowattuck. Here is yet good work to be done and how dear it will cost is unknown. Sassacus is resolved to sell his life, and so the other with his company as dear as they can.

Capt. Mason writes that the Connecticut towns sent him in command of forty men to coöperate with Capt. Stoughton, in the further pursuit of the Pequods. From Pequod Harbor the English forces moved along the Sound, landing from time to time. At "Quinnipiack" (New Haven) they saw a great smoke at some distance in the woods, and landed, thinking that they had discovered the enemy; but their Indian scouts soon found that it was only some friendly Indians burning brush. A Mohegan, called Jack Eatow, going ashore, captured two Pequods, and brought them on board.

There is a story that Uneas, on the way thither, captured a small party of the enemy, one of whom, a sachem, he beheaded, and lodged his head in a tree, where it hung for years. This was upon a high bluff on the shore, a few miles below Guilford, which has been known since as "Sachem's Head." Moving westward, one of their Pequod spies proved faithful to them, and faithless to his people. In token of his treachery, they named this traitor "Luz" with grim humor; and he guided them to a



great company of the Indians, at a place called "Unquowa," now

within the town of Fairfield, Conn.

A large party of the fugitive Pequods had imposed themselves by force upon the local tribe, and were now with them at their village, which was situated close to a great swamp. This swamp is described as about one mile in circumference, and divided, by a narrow strip of solid land, into two unequal parts. When the advance-guard of the English approached, all the Indians with one accord fled in dismay into the dense recesses of the swamp. Sergt. Palmer, with a squad of the advance-guard, hastened around by the smaller division of the swamp, to cut off escape by that side. Lieut. Richard Davenport, of Salem, Capt. Trask's company, with a few men rushed into the bushes, thinking to push through to the wigwams which were on the other side, suddenly found themselves sinking in the miry ground, entangled in the dense underbrush, and fiercely attacked by the savages. Lieut. Davenport. Sergts. John Wedgewood and Thomas Sherman and others, were severely wounded, and only with the greatest difficulty rescued from their perilous plight by the bravery of Sergts. Edward Riggs, of Roxbury, and Thomas Jeffrey, of Dorchester. The main body of the troops then advancing, the whole swamp was surrounded.

The line surrounding the swamp was, according to Capt. Mason, a very long one, being formed at a wide distance from the edge of the bushes; but was soon lessened by cutting through the narrow strip, thus shortening the "leaguer," and shutting the

Indians into the smaller swamp.

The brief skirmish at the beginning admonished the English that they were now facing a brave and desperate foe, no longer entirely at their mercy. There was a rumor also, brought back by the two captive girls to Wethersfield, that the Pequods had some sixteen muskets, which they might craftily discharge upon their assailants unexpectedly. So they decided to hold a parley with the foe. Thomas Stanton was sent to speak with them, readily understanding their language, and offering to go upon this service. He soon returned with about two hundred old men, women, and children, including the local tribe. Then the warriors sent the challenge from the swamp, that they would fight it out with the English to the end. And Stanton, going once more to them, to urge terms of their surrender, was met with a fierce volley of arrows so as scarcely to escape with his life. Then the guards were set, and close watch kept all night with frequent shooting on both sides. In the deepest darkness, about an hour before the dawn, the savages massed their numbers, and, after some desperate fighting, broke through Capt. Patrick's lines, and escaped.

Capt. Mason speaks of Capts. Trask and Patrick, and also Sergt. Stares, as having taken part in this tight, besides those



above named. On searching the swamp, they found but few slain. One hundred and eighty women and children were divided between Massachusetts and Connecticut to be used as servants. Two women and fifteen boys were sent to Bermuda, by Mr. William Peirce, to be sold as slaves, but were carried by mistake to "Providence Isle." Among the women taken was the wife of the Sachem Mononotto, with her two children, whose demeanor and behavior were such as to win the respect of even the most violent Indian-haters. In the absence of evidence to the contrary, I would suggest that Mononotto was in command of the Indians in the swamp at Fairfield, and led the party, estimated by Capt. Mason at seventy, which escaped. Sassacus and a party of his warriors escaped to the Mohawks, but were set upon and killed by them, and their scalps were brought to the authorities at Connecticut, from whom pieces were taken to Boston, by Mr. Pinchon and Mr. Ludlow, who went hither to consult about the disposal of the conquered remnants of the fallen tribe. They reported the Pequods entirely dispersed and subdued, so as to be easily managed by the people of Connecticut with the aid of the Mohegans and Narragansets. Capt. Stoughton remained in the Pequod country till near the last of August, and continued to send his reports of proceedings, by which we see that they were scouting, and destroying the enemy's crops and keeping the wretched fugitives from returning to their former homes. Soon after August 20th they sailed for home, landing at Block Island on the way, and burning and destroying the poor homes and growing crops of the helpless Indians with useless cruelty. they sailed homeward from their rather inglorious campaign, and arrived in Boston on August 26.

This, in brief, is the story of the "Pequod War," gathered from all available authorities known. To the comparatively weak colonies of that day it threatened destruction. The prompt and daring, though sanguinary work, of Capt. Mason and his men, with the superiority of their arms, together with the hostility of the other tribes for the Pequods, enabled them to strike

the crushing blow, which, practically, finished the war.

The result of this war was that the Indians of New England were so dismayed at the resistless force of the English soldiers, that for nearly forty years there was no further formidable outbreak, though they knew that they were wronged, cheated, and oppressed in many ways by the colonists. Some time after the war was over, the actual number of the Pequods still surviving was found to be about two hundred. In 1638, a treaty was concluded between the Colonies, Narragansets, and Mohegans, by which the surviving Pequods were equally distributed between the two larger tribes, forced to adopt their names, and drop their own forever.

The Pequod lands became the property of Connecticut Colony.



These were hard conditions for a proud and warlike race to submit to. Especially hard was the case of those who were obliged to submit to the rule of Uncas, whom they regarded as the real cause of their downfall. They were a constant source of disturbance between the two ruling tribes. At one time a party of them withdrew from Uncas, and joining with a few Niantics, returned to their old home and settled. Capt. Mason was sent out, and with the aid of Uncas and his hundred Mohegans, and forty of his own men, he despoiled them of their corn, newly harvested, and drove them from their wigwams, which were burned.

The Pequods, about equally distributed between the Mohegans and Narragansets, were a constant source of jealousy and trouble. Canonicus and Miantonomo, as well as their ally, Ninigret, the Niantic Sachem, distrusted Uncas as the pliant tool of the English, and a constant spy upon themselves, reporting all their acts suspiciously and falsely. At last, in 1643, upon some special provocation from Uncas, Miantonomo resolved to punish his enemy. He led a large company of his warriors secretly into the Mohegan country; but the crafty Uneas was on his guard, having his spies set as usual upon every move of the Narragansets. Selecting an advantageous place, with his accustomed cunning, he concealed a large number of his warriors behind rocks and bushes, and then showed himself with a few, and signalled for Miantonomo to meet him for a parley between the lines, pretending to propose a personal duel to settle the trouble. When he had lured his enemy into the desired place, he gave his men the signal, by falling that upon the ground, and they at once leaped out from their coverts and shot a furious volley of arrows at Miantonomo and rushed forward to surround him. He, however, having on an English corselet, was not harmed by their arrows, and turning fled towards his own lines. His warriors did not withstand the furious charge of the Mohegans, and in the flight he became separated from them, and, cumbered by the heavy corselet, was overtaken and

Uneas would have administered punishment straightway, probably, had not a swift messenger come to him from Mr. Samuel Gorton, of Warwick, threatening dire vengeance from the English should he harm the captive Sachem in the least. While it is probable that Mr. Gorton's threat saved the Narraganset Sachem from immediate death, his friendship was harmful to the captive's interests with the colonial authorities, who looked upon Gorton as a heretic and outlaw. Uneas turned his captive over to the custody of the court officers at Hartford, to await the session of the United Commissioners in September, he being in the meantime committed to prison. Then this "Star Chamber" of the Puritans took up the case, and by the most infamous decree which blots the pages of New England history, condemned the brave Sachem of the noblest of the native tribes to a cruel and shameful

overpowered by his foes.



death. Nothing can excuse the heartless prejudice and coldblooded injustice of the decision. He had been the faithful ally of the English from the beginning. He had not truckled to them, like the crafty and treacherous Uncas, but his course had been always honorable and self-respecting. By the Court's decree Miantonomo was given over, with cold brutality, to his mortal enemy to be executed according to his will. And so he was led back into the Mohegan limits, and near the scene of his capture, was killed with a blow of the tomahawk, in the hands of a brother of Uncas. The place of his execution is in the eastern part of the present town of Norwich, Connecticut. The Narragansets never sought to retaliate upon the English for this act of injustice. They understood Uncas to be the author of their chief's overthrow, and bided their time to mete out vengeance to him. There was always, however, a feeling that the Narragansets had not forgotten nor forgiven the death of their chief, and this suspicion was diligently encouraged by the Mohegans. After the death of Miantonomo, his young brother, Pessacus, succeeded him, and Ninigret, his kinsman, and chief of the Niantics, became an influential leader among the Narragansets; and many of the Pequods assigned to them had joined his tribe and added much to its warlike qualities. While Miantonomo was in prison at Hartford, the Narragansets had been encouraged by Uncas that he would liberate him upon the payment of certain sums of wampum. These sums had been gladly raised and paid to the crafty Uncas, who, in the end, repudiated the agreement, in which course he was afterwards supported by the English, as in all other matters. In the spring of 1644, Ninigret, having secured a number of guns and drilled some of his men in their use, fell upon a large company of Mohegans and slew a number, wounded many more, and so frightened Uncas that he was obliged to call on his English friends to protect him.

He was shut up in his fort for a long time, fearing capture or death from his foes. The English, nothing loath to find a pretext for war against the Narragansets at any time, immediately began to raise an armament to vindicate the cause of their favorite. But Ninigret and Pessacus, the chief Sachems, now, of the Narragansets, appeared by their deputies at Hartford, and arranged to cease hostilities until after planting next year. They promptly renewed the war next year, or at least some slight acts were so construed by Uncas in his report to the Colonies. Again the Colonies advanced to his assistance, and promised to put forty soldiers in the field at once for the defence of Uncas. These were sent at once under the command of Lieut. Humphrey Atherton and Sergt. John Davis. The commission of Atherton was simply to protect Uncas in his fort, against his enemies. This company was sent from Boston, and companies from Hartford and New Haven were to join them in the Mohegan country. These were only the advance of a much larger force which the Commissioners



decided to raise. Great preparations were made, and officers commissioned for an invasion in force of the Narraganset country.

Major Edward Gibbons, of Charlestown, was appointed Commander-in-chief, John Leverett, Captain of the Massachusetts company; Francis Loyal, Surgeon, and a levy of men was ordered and companies were organizing and drilling in Boston, when a delegation of Narraganset chiefs appeared before the Court to explain matters and assert their friendship for the English, but declaring their hostility to Uncas. Another partial treaty was concluded by the Indians agreeing to pay a large indemnity for

the expenses of the preparation for war.

After the partial treaty of 1645, Pessacus withheld the Narragansets for several years, though Ninigret was constantly on the alert to find cause and opportunity to strike the hated Mohegans. Uneas, on his part, was constant in his complaints and rumors of his enemy's evil designs. The smaller Colonies, Connecticut and New Haven, were urgent in demanding the action of the United Commissioners against the Niantics, and this, of course, involved the other Narragansets. The payment of wampum to settle the expense of the preparations of the Colonies against the Nianties in 1645, to which Ninigret had agreed, was held over him as a constant demand, severe, if not actually dishonest. Some of the Pequods had escaped from servitude and taken refuge with him. as a kinsman. The Long Island Indians, too, made complaints of certain depredations against them; and at last, in 1653, the Commissioners decided to declare war, and evidently meant to crush the whole Narraganset people and reduce them to servitude as they had the Pequods formerly. The Commissioners of Massachusetts were in the minority, and were overborne by those of the other three Colonies, who were strenuous for war. The General Court of Massachusetts supported their own Commissioners in their decision that there was not a sufficient cause, as yet, for As this Colony, on account of wealth and population, was to furnish two-thirds of all means and men, her decision for the time prevailed. Next year, however, September, 1654, the Massachusetts Commissioners so far retracted as to join in sending for Ninigret to attend them at Hartford and answer the complaints against him. He refused to attend and declared his war against the Long Island Indians to be just, as they had killed a Sachem's son and sixty of his men. He demanded that the English "let him alone." It was, thereupon, voted to send a force of twenty troopers and forty foot soldiers to enforce the Commissioners' demands. It was also voted to levy two hundred and seventy foot and forty horsemen out of the several colonies to prosecute the war. Major Simon Willard, of Groton, was appointed to the chief command of this force. The Massachusetts troops mustered at Dedham October 9th and marched to Providence, and thence along the westerly shore of Narraganset Bay to the Niantic



country. The officers of the Troopers were Capt. Wm. Davis, of Boston; Lieut. Peter Oliver and Cornet John Stedman, while Richard Waite was Commissary. The following officers were appointed over such companies as were "to go out if neede should require:" 1st. James Oliver, captain; Roger Clap, lieutenant; John Hull, ensign; and 2d, Sam'l Appleton, captain; Rich. Sprague, lieutenant; Benjamin Sweet, ensign. Sergt. John Barrell was commissary to the Foot Companies.

The New Haven and Connecticut contingent of forty men did not reach them until the 16th, when Ninigret had had ample time to retreat into his fastnesses, whence he could not be dislodged.

It seems by Major Willard's letter from "Paucatuck 19th of 8th Mo., 1654," that he was hampered by his lack of commission, as it was taken for granted that Ninigret would be found at his usual place; he lacked information as to the charges against the Sachem, the Connecticut men by Thomas Stanton being depended upon to furnish details, who was unable. The Major, however, acting with prudence and candor through friendly Pequods, succeeded in getting Ninigret to surrender all the Pequod subjects who would leave him, and to permit them to set up an independent tribal estate under the direction of the Commissioners.

Additional details of this affair, and the men engaged, will be given in the Appendix. Major Willard secured a fairly satisfactory covenant with Ninigret, and also an advantageous arrangement with the subject Pequods, and returned to Boston and disbanded his forces on October 24th, being upon the service sixteen

days.

The Pequods were settled in separate communities, and rulers appointed of their own, under the Colonial authorities. Cushawashett, alias Harmon Garrett, was appointed over the villages at Paquatucke and Weguapeuge, and Robin, alias Casasinamon, at Nemeacke and Naweacke. Later these were settled, the first in Stonington, and the latter in what is now the town of Ledyard. In 1850 the Ledyard settlement still retained 989 acres of land, and twenty-eight persons of the greatly degenerated Pequod stock; in the Stonington, 240 acres and fifteen persons.



THE WAR WITH PHILIP OF MOUNT HOPE.

The next Indian war of New England, which claims attention, is that of 1675-77, known as "King Philip's War;" so called from the name of the recognized leader of that war, whose Indian name was Metacom or Pometacom, or Metacomet, but whom the English called Philip. He was the second son of Massasoit, who at the settlement of the English at Plymouth and Boston seems to have been chief sachem of all the various tribes and fragments of tribes living between the Charles River and Narraganset Bay, and including that part of Rhode Island east of the Bay, and also the Cape Cod tribes. The rule of Massasoit was probably rather indefinite both as to limits of territory and extent of authority over the subordinate chiefs. While Massasoit seems to have been the acknowledged head of the tribes within the limits above named, the league between the chiefs of the tribes was evidently very loose, and held mostly for convenience in defence, and perhaps for the settlement of difficulties between individual tribes. The territory of this Sachem was bounded upon the west by the Nipmucks and Narragansets. But a very great proportion of this had been sold by the Sachems before the opening of the war. Massasoit had several children, three of whom are known to us by name: Wamsutta and Metacom, who came to Plymouth about 1656, and at their own request received English names from the Governor, who "christened" them "Alexander" and "Philip." A sister of these was the wife of Tuspaquin, chief of the Namaskets; she was called by the English "Amie." Mention is made of another son and also a daughter, but I have not proper authority for their names. Alexander married a Sachem's daughter, or widow, of the Pocasset tribe, and after his death, soon following Massasoit's, 1661 or '62, she returned to her own people, and ruled there with influence and ability until the war; when her second husband, Petananuet, Petonowowett, or "Peter Nunnuit" (as he is sometimes called), took sides with the English, she, possibly reluctantly, joined the fortunes of Philip, who had married her sister Wootonekanuske, and had great influence with her.

Massasoit had always maintained a cordial and firm friendship with the English; and it would seem that Alexander also was somewhat of his father's nature and disposition. The moment, however, which saw Philip raised to the place of power, gave signal of a far different course of conduct on the part of the Wannpanoag Sachem. The limits of his father's olden territory had been greatly reduced before he came to power. The English had



purchased and otherwise absorbed a large proportion of their lands. Philip kept on selling and surrendering, till at last, as early as 1670-1, he began to feel the pressure of civilization upon their hunting and fishing grounds as well as cornfields. The Court at Plymouth itself had interfered and forbidden the transfer of certain parts of the Wampanoag territories, and thus doubtless saved the Indians in various tribes a home. Pokanoket, the hereditary home, was thus saved to Philip's people; and here he lived at the time of the opening of the war. This place was called by the English "Mount Hope," and it is now embraced in the town of Bristol, R.I.

It will not be necessary to discuss the causes leading up to the war. It is enough to say here, that the English had assumed the government of the country, and followed their course of settlement with small regard to the rights of the natives. In some of the plantations, the settlers purchased their lands of the Indians, as a matter of precaution; partly that they might have that show of title in case any other claim should be set up in opposition to theirs, and partly to conciliate the savages, whose hostility they feared, and whose friendship was profitable in the way of trade, in furs and other products of the hunt. The Indians were always at disadvantage with the English, in all the arts of civilized life. The English paid no heed to Indian laws or customs or traditions; and ruthlessly imposed their own laws, customs, and religious ideas, with no apparent thought of their intolerance and injustice. They made treaties with the savages in the same terms which they would have used had they been dealing with a civilized nation. They made out deeds, in language which only the learned framers themselves could understand. In brief, the Pilgrims and Puritans mostly looked upon the Indians as heathen, whose "inheritance" God meant to give to his people, as of old he had dealt with Israel and their heathen. There were some, however, who, with Rev. John Eliot, believed that the Indians had immortal souls, and that they were given to God's people to educate and save. But there was nothing which the rulers of the Indians resented more persistently, nor complained of more frequently, than the attempts of the Christians to convert their people. Indirectly one of these converted Indians was the immediate cause of the opening of hostilities. There were many grievances of which the Indians complained; but they had not the foresight to see the inevitable result of the constantly increasing power of the English, in their acquisition of land, and multiplying of settlements. It was only when they felt the pressure of actual privation or persecution, that they began to think of opposition or revenge. Their chiefs had been summoned frequently before the English courts to answer for some breach of law by their subjects; several times the English had demanded that whole tribes should give up their arms because of the fault



of one or a few. The Indians lived mostly by hunting and fishing, and at the time of the war used fire-arms almost wholly. They had learned their use and bought the arms of the English, nearly always at exorbitant prices. They were expert in the use of their guns, and held them as the most precious of their possessions. The order to give these over to the English, with their stock of ammunition, was regarded by them as robbery, as indeed in most cases it was, as they seldom regained their arms when once given up. We can now see that from their standpoint there were grievances enough to drive them to rebellion. But our forefathers seem to have been unable to see any but their own

side. But now to the story.

John Sassamon (Mr. Hubbard says Sausaman) was the son of a Wampanoag Indian who, with his wife and family, lived in Dorchester. They had been taught by Mr. Eliot, and professed the Christian faith. The son John was the pupil of Mr. Eliot from his early youth, and was made a teacher among the Christian Indians at Natick. Mr. Hubbard says that "upon some misdemeanor" there, he went to the Wampanoags, where he became the secretary and interpreter of the chief, to whom he was a most valuable assistant and trusted adviser. He was soon prevailed upon by Mr. Eliot to return to Natick, where he became a preacher, while still preserving friendly relations with Philip and his tribe. In 1672-3 he was at Namasket as preacher among the Indians, whose chief was Tuspaquin, whose daughter Sassamon had married. While here he discovered that a plot was in process, extending among many tribes, to exterminate or drive away the English settlers from the country. This plot Sassamon disclosed to the authorities at Plymouth, and afterwards the story was told to the Massachusetts authorities; and Philip was summoned to answer to the charge. At the examination, where nothing positive could be proved against Philip, he found by the evidence that Sassamon had betrayed him, and he immediately condemned him to death in his council. The sentence was carried out January 29, 1674-5, while Sassamon was fishing through the ice upon Assawomset Pond. His executioners were brought to punishment, and it was discovered that the deed was done by Philip's order. The trial was in March, 1675, and the principal actor, Tobias, and his accompliee, Mattashunannamoo, were executed as murderers, June 8, 1675; while Tobias's son, who was present but took no part in the crime, was reprieved for one month and then shot. After the execution of the two in June, Philip threw off all disguise as to his plan, and pushed his preparations as diligently as possible. The plan had been to complete preparations and include all the tribes in New England, so that a simultaneous assault could be made upon all the settlements at once. This plan was spoiled, and probably the settlements saved from destruction, by the impatience of the leader's



While Philip's preparations went forward, the authorities thought best not to make any immediate military demonstration further than the placing of a guard by the various settlements to prevent a surprise. They thought Philip would soon tire of holding his men in arms and training, so that they could get him in their power. But his company increased, and the younger warriors began to demand some open act of hostility. At last they began not only to insult the English settlers in the nearest settlements, by their words of insolence and threats, but to shoot their eattle and plunder their houses. The Indians increased greatly in numbers, from the neighboring tribes, many "strange Indians" appearing among them, and most of their women and children being sent away to the Narraganset country. At Swansy they appeared in considerable numbers, and used all their ways of provocation to induce some act of resistance from the settlers; and at last, upon June 24th, one man was so enraged at the shooting of his cattle and the attempt to rifle his house, that he shot at an Indian, wounding him. Upon this the Indians began open and indiscriminate hostility, and on that day eight or nine of the English at Swansy were killed and others wounded. Two men were sent for a surgeon, but were waylaid and slain, their bodies left upon the road. Messengers sent from the English authorities to treat with Philip and prevent an outbreak, came upon the bodies of the men slain in the highway, and speedily turned back. The Colonies awoke to the fact that an Indian war was upon them, but supposed that a few companies sent down to Swansy would at once overawe the savages and reduce them to submission. A speedy muster was made, both at Plymouth and Boston, and on the afternoon of June 26th, five companies were mustering or on the march from the two colonies. The details of the account of the war will be found in the body of the following chapters. Here only a brief outline of current events can be given. The first company of infantry from Boston was made up from the regular military companies of the town. A company of cavalry, or "troopers," was gathered from the regular organization in three counties. A third company, of "volunteers," was raised about the town and vicinity, from all sorts of adventurers, seafaring men and strangers, with a number of prisoners who had been convicted of piracy and condemned to death, but were now released to engage in fighting the Indians. Capt. Daniel Henchman commanded the first company, Capt. Thomas Prentice the troopers, and Capt. Samuel Mosely These three companies marched out of the "volunteers." Boston on the 26th and 27th and arrived at Swansy on the 28th, having formed a junction with the Plymouth forces under Major James Cudworth and Capt. Fuller, these having been in the field several days already. The forces quartered about the house of Rev. John Miles, the minister at Swansy, whose



place was nearest the bridge leading over the river into Philip's dominions. Some of the troopers that evening rode across the bridge and had a slight skirmish with the enemy. On the 29th, Major Thomas Savage arrived with another company of foot with Capt. Nicholas Paige's troop. Major Savage took command of the Massachusetts forces; while, according to the custom in the United Colonies, the senior officer of the colony in which the forces were engaged at the time became commander-in-chief. The present seat of war being in Plymouth Colony, Major Cudworth was thus the commander of the whole army. On June 30th, the troopers, supported by Mosely's company, charged across the bridge for a mile into the woods, driving the enemy before them into swamps, with a loss of five or six, Ensign Perez Savage being severely wounded on the English side. This charge so frightened the Indians that they fled, in the night, out of their peninsula of Mount Hope, across the channel to Pocasset, now Tiverton, R.I., so that on the next day when the whole force marched over into Mount Hope, and marched back and forth sweeping the country with their lines, they found no enemy. The forces were engaged several days in scouting the neighboring country in search of the Indians, not yet knowing that the main body were in Pocasset.

Then orders came from Boston for Major Savage's forces to march into Narraganset, to enforce a treaty with that powerful tribe, and prevent their junction with Philip. They found the country apparently deserted, few except the very aged being left in any of the villages. Neither Canonehet nor any of his leading Sachems could be found. The officers, however, spent several days completing a very ceremonious treaty with some of the old men whom they were able to bring together. Canonehet afterwards treated the whole matter with scorn as being a farce.

In the meantime the Plymouth forces passed over to Pocasset and found a body of Indians, and had a skirmish with them. Capt. Fuller was in command, and Benjamin Church conducted a part of the force, which became engaged with a much larger force, and after hard fighting were drawn off with difficulty by the tact and courage of Mr. Church, after inflicting serious injury upon the enemy, and suffering little loss themselves. After this the Indians retired into the swamps about Pocasset, and were held at bay until the return of the Massachusetts forces; when all marched together for concerted action against their enemies.

On July 18th the combined forces arrived at the Pocasset swamp, and made a resolute attack upon the enemy concealed in the thick underbrush, from whence at the first volley they killed five and wounded seven of our men. After this volley the enemy retreated deeper into the swamp, where it was impossible, night coming on, to follow them. The commanders in council



concluded that they had the enemy now enclosed securely within the swamp, whence it was impossible to escape, if a suitable guard were left to watch. Major Savage and the Massachusetts men returned to Boston, except Capt. Henchman's company of one hundred men, who, with the Plymouth forces, remained at Pocasset. Capt. Henchman began to build a fort there, which might serve as a stronghold for the English and might guard the entrance to the great swamp.

The English were deceived by the apparent easy conquest of both the Wampanoags and Narragansets, and believed they had overawed them and set their hostility at rest, and now might take their own time in crushing Philip and thus finishing the

war.

Plymouth Colony had been engaged from the first in seeking to conciliate the tribes, in their bounds, which were related to Philip. Through the efforts of Mr. Benjamin Church, a resident of Seconet, who was acquainted on pleasant terms with nearly all the tribes in the colony, negotiations were held with Awashonks the squaw-sachem of the Seconet Indians, and Weetamoo the squaw-sachem or "queen" of the Pocasset tribe. Awashonks and most of her people passed over into the Narraganset country at the opening of active hostilities, and thus avoided joining Philip; but Weetamoo and her people were swept along with him in his retreat towards the Nipmuck country. Plymouth companies were abroad, too, scouting the country in the effort to protect their settlements, exposed, like Dartmouth, Middleboro', etc. They also established a garrison at Mount Hope after Philip retreated to Pocasset, to prevent his return. The entrance of Philip into the Pocasset swamps compelled the cooperation of the hesitating Weetamoo, and afforded him a safe hiding-place to recruit and prepare for his flight northward.

In the meantime the Massachusetts authorities had begun negotiations with the various Western tribes. Seven of the principal towns had been visited and treaties made with each. On July 16th Ephraim Curtis returned to Boston and reported the Quabaugs gathered at a great island in a swamp beyond Brookfield, and showing a defiant and hostile spirit. Council immediately sent Capt. Edward Hutchinson, escorted by Capt. Thomas Wheeler and his mounted company, with Curtis as guide, to find the Indians and bring them to terms. The company, accompanied by some friendly Naticks, arrived at Brookfield on August 1st, and immediately sent Curtis with the guides to arrange for a meeting next day. The Quabaugs, whose leader was the famous Muttaump, agreed to come next day to a plain some three miles from Brookfield to meet the English. The next morning, the company, with three of the chief men of Brookfield, rode out to the appointed place, but found no Indians. Urged by the Brookfield men, but against the earnest



remonstrance of the Naticks, they rode forward towards the place where Curtis met them the day before. But coming to a narrow defile between a high rocky hill and an impenetrable swamp, and riding single file, they found themselves caught in a great ambuscade of the Indians, who let them pass along until they were able to surround them, and then rose altogether and fired into their column at close range. They killed eight men outright and wounded five, including Capts. Hutchinson and Wheeler, the former mortally. The English were forced to retreat, fighting, up the hill; and, under the skilful conduct of their Indian guides, were able to make a safe retreat to Brookfield, where they gathered the people and fortified a house just before the Indians came sweeping furiously down upon the village. Here they defended themselves against great numbers for several days, till Major Willard and Capt. Parker came with a company and reinforced the garrison, when the enemy retired.

At Pocasset, Capt. Henchman continued building his fort, and Philip was making ready for his flight. The English seem not to have contemplated the possibility of a general war, nor to have at all appreciated the gravity of the present situation in the colonies. Philip with all his fighting-men and the greater part of his own and Weetamoo's people, escaped across the river and passed through the open plain in Rehoboth, where they were discovered by some of the settlers. A scouting party from Taunton made the discovery that it was Philip's Indians who were thus escaping. The situation of affairs may be briefly stated. Capt. Henchman was guarding the swamp wherein Philip and his people were supposed to be securely trapped. Major Cudworth and Capt. Fuller were at Dartmouth with a company of one hundred and twelve men. Lieut. Nathaniel Thomas, of Marshfield, was at the Mount Hope garrison with twenty men. At Rehoboth a company of Mohegan Indians under Oneko, under convoy of Corporal Thomas Swift, arrived from Boston on the 30th on their way to Capt. Henchman at Pocasset. Upon the alarm, Rev. Mr. Newman, of Rehoboth, began to organize a company of volunteers for the pursuit of the Indians. Lieut. Thomas, with a small detachment, happened to come to Rohoboth on the 30th, and hearing of the escape, hastened back to carry the news to Capt. Henchman, and urge his cooperation. Lieut. Thomas then, on the 31st, took eleven men of his Mount Hope garrison, and being joined by Lieut. James Brown, of Swansy, with twelve men, marched in the pursuit. The Rehoboth men, with some volunteers from Providence and Taunton, led by the Mohegans, had started earlier upon the trail of the enemy. Lieut. Thomas and his party overtook the others at sunset, and after a brief councilof-war, sent out their scouts, Indian and English, to discover the movements of the fugitives. Having found that they had encamped for the night, and apparently not suspecting pursuit, the



English left their horses with a guard, and, with the Mohegans in the van, marched silently forward to a field, at a place called "Nipsachick" (said to be within the present town of Burrillville, The night being very dark, they were forced to wait for At dawn they made their attack upon what proved to be The Indians were taken by surprise and fled, Weetamoo's camp. leaving everything behind them. But the Mohegans and English rushing forward found themselves confronted with Philip's fighting-men entrenched behind trees and rocks ready for battle. Adopting the tactics of the enemy, the English and their allies engaged them fiercely until 9 o'clock, when still fighting desperately, but with powder nearly spent, the hostiles sullenly retired. leaving many of their dead upon the field. Some twenty-three of the enemy were killed, it is said, including a prominent chief, Woonashum, called by the English, Nimrod. Of the English, two were killed and one wounded.

Near the close of the fight, Rev. Mr. Newman and a party came up, bringing supplies. Capt. Henchman arrived after the fight, having sailed to Providence and marched up thence, with sixtyeight soldiers and sixteen friendly Indians. He immediately took command, but concluded not to push the pursuit until next day. The Rehoboth and Providence men returned home, to bring up supplies for the further pursuit. They hastened back next day with all speed, but found to their great disappointment that Capt. Henchman had not moved until that same day, giving the enemy a full day's start; and Lieut. Thomas and his party overtook him on the evening of August 3d, at a place called by them in the report, "Wapososhequash." The enemy were beyond pursuit, a part (Weetamoo's people, except the fighting-men) having turned off into the Narraganset country, while Philip and the rest passed into the great forests beyond Quabaug. The Mohegans went to their own country on August 4th, accompanied by Lieut. Brown and a small party, to Norwich, to secure provisions and news of the enemy. After awaiting the return of this party three days, Capt. Henchman, on August 7th, marched back to Mendon, meeting Capt. Mosely with a company of dragoons coming up from Providence with supplies. Next day Capt. Henchman went up to Boston, and the Rehoboth men returned home. Capt. Mosely was left in command at Mendon. Capt. Henchman was relieved of command in the field and was sent to bring off his men remaining at Pocasset. Mendon had been attacked July 14th, by a party of Nipmucks, led by Matoonas, and six or more of the settlers were killed while at work in their fields.

When the Indians returned from their siege of Brookfield, they met Philip and his people in the woods and told him of their exploit. He was greatly pleased, and gave some of the chiefs presents of wampum, and promised them fresh supplies of ammunition and arms. The Brookfield affair had the effect of bringing



in the faltering tribes, and Philip's coming confirmed the plan to clear the Connecticut Valley of English settlers. Massachusetts Colony raised several companies to protect the frontiers. Capt. Mosely with his own and Capt. Henchman's men marched from Mendon, and Capts. Thomas Lathrop of Essex County with a fine company, and Richard Beers of Watertown with another, marched to Brookfield, where their forces were joined by Capt. Watts of Connecticut with two companies of English and Indians. Major Willard took command of this force, and broke it into several parties in order to better protect the several settlements. These companies were engaged in scouting the frontiers and guarding supplies sent up to the various garrisons. The Springfield Indians, hitherto pretending friendship, fled and joined the hostiles on the night of August 24; and the English, pursuing, had a sharp fight with them at a swamp near Mt. Wequomps, losing nine of their own men. The English troops were concentrated at Hadley under the general command of Major Pynchon. On September 1st the Indians attacked Deerfield, burning most of the houses and killing one of the garrison soldiers, and withdrew. On the 2d they fell upon Northfield, where many of the people were abroad at work in the fields, and the women and children at the houses in the town. The assault was from all quarters at once, and many were killed in the fields and as they escaped from their houses to the garrison. The Indians burned most of their houses and drove away their cattle. On the 3d, Capt. Beers, with thirty mounted men and an ox-team, was sent to bring off the garrison of Northfield, not knowing of this attack. This force on the next day was ambushed at Saw-Mill Brook, near Northfield, and Capt. Beers and some twenty of his men were killed. Next day Major Treat with a hundred men marched up to Northfield, finding and burying the dead of Capt. Beers' company, and then bringing off the garrison. It was now decided to strengthen the garrisons and act upon the defensive. Upon September 18th Capt. Lathrop with his company was sent to convoy teams bringing loads of grain from Deerfield to Hadley. A strong ambuscade was made at a place known since as "Bloody Brook," and there the Indians encompassed and massacred nearly the whole company, some eighty, including the teamsters. Only eight or ten escaped. The number killed was between sixty and seventy. Capt. Mosely came hastily from Deerfield upon hearing the shots, and engaged the great company of several hundreds of Indians, charging in amongst them with intrepid fury which drove them headlong before him into the woods and swamps; but, finding them gathering in immense numbers and seeking to surround him, he threw out his lines to prevent being flanked, and began a cautious retreat; when Major Treat coming upon the field, the Indians, seeing the reinforcements, fled.

These terrible reverses threw a gloomy, superstitious fear over



the Colonies. The English troops, hitherto despising the Indians in war, now seemed helpless before them. On September 26th the Indians assaulted Springfield, west of the river, burning the houses and barns. On October 5th the enemy made some demonstrations at Hadley; the soldiers were drawn from Springfield to strengthen the garrison; the Indians fell upon the latter village and destroyed it, before the companies could return to save it. After this blow, Major Pynchon begged the Court to appoint a commander of the forces on the river in his place, and Major Samuel Appleton was appointed, and by advice of the Council garrisoned the various towns not abandoned, and then withdrew the other troops to Boston. The Connecticut troops helped to garrison Northampton and Westfield, and the Indians withdrew to their winter camps. Philip had long since gone into

winter quarters above Albany.

But now the Colonies determined to strike the Narragansets in their own country before they should be able to join the hostiles. A great muster was made in three colonies, and an army of one thousand men was raised and equipped, half of which was sent from Massachusetts. The Narragansets were entrenched in a very strong position in a great swamp in what is now South Kingston, R.I. It was claimed that great numbers of Wampanoags and other hostiles were among them finding refuge, and they were defiant and threatening. The English forces under command of Gen. Winslow, of Plymouth, gathered at Wickford, and on December 19th, 1675, marched some twenty miles through intense cold and a heavy snow-storm, to the swamp; the waters had been frozen by the severe cold, and this fact made it possible for the English to reach the rude fortifications. Without waiting for any organized attack, the Massachusetts troops, being at the front in the march, rushed forward across the ice in an impetuous charge, and into the entrance, where the Indians had constructed rude flankers, and placed a strong block-house in front, so that the first to enter were met with a terrible enfilading fire from front and flanks, and were forced back for a time; but others coming on pressed into the breach, and, though suffering severe losses, at last stormed all the fortifications, drove the enemy from every line of entrenchments within the fort, and out into the woods and swamps beyond. They set fire to the wigwams and store-houses of the savages, in which were burned many of the aged, women, and children. Then taking their wounded, the English took up their march back through the deep snow to Wickford, where they arrived the next morning.

The details of this fight, as well as the subsequent movements of this campaign, are given at length in the chapters of which this chapter is the compendium, and are briefly passed here. The Narragansets kept well out of the way of the English army, and made many pretences of negotiating peace; but at last, about



January 26th, having made several raids into the settlements, and captured numbers of cattle and horses, Canonchet with his strong rear-guard took up his line of retreat for the north, and two days afterwards the army, some twelve hundred strong, marched in pursuit. The Mohegans and Pequots, among the Connecticut forces, led the pursuit, and had several sharp skirmishes with the enemy, always retreating northward. This running fight was kept up for several days, until provisions having failed and no base of supplies possible, the General abandoned the pursuit and marched his troops to Marlborough and thence to Boston. The men suffered severely in this march, from hunger, and it was

known for several generations as the "hungry march."

The Connecticut forces separated from the others on February 3d, and the main body of the army arrived in Boston on the 8th and were dismissed. A company under Capt. Wadsworth was left at Marlborough to guard the frontiers and neighboring towns. Canonchet and his great and warlike Narraganset tribe. maddened by what they believed their wrongs, and thirsting for vengeance, were now joined with Philip and the other hostile tribes, and all within an easy day's call, except Philip and his band, who still remained in their retreat beyond Albany. The time was critical for the settlements; prompt action was necessary on the part of the Indian leaders, to keep their young men in courage and training. Upon February 10th the Indians in great force fell upon Lancaster, and nearly destroyed the town. They killed or took captive fifty of the people. Among the captives was Mrs. Rowlandson, wife of the minister. One garrison-house was saved by the arrival of Capt. Wadsworth and his company from Marlborough. On February 21st a strong body of the enemy surprised Medfield, although a large force of soldiers was then in the town. There were no guards set, nor other precautions taken. The soldiers were scattered about in the houses, and the Indians placed ambuscades in front of each house, and shot them down as they rushed out upon the alarm. The enemy were frightened away by the firing of a cannon, and crossed the river, burning the bridge behind them. Another army was now raised and sent to the Connecticut River towns, to protect them, and try to bring the enemy to battle. There were said to be two great fortified camps: one near the "Wachusett Hill," and the other at Menameset, beyond Brookfield. The army was under command of Major Thomas Savage, and consisted of three foot companies and a troop of horse from Massachusetts. Connecticut sent several companies of English and friendly Indians. A number of Christian Indians from the Naticks went with Major Savage. The army marched to Menameset, March 2d-4th, to find the enemy gone. They pursued them to Miller's River, across which they escaped. It was thought that this great body of the enemy would now fall upon



the western towns, so that the army marched thither, abandoning the design upon "Wachusett Hill" encampment. Major Savage disposed his forces to guard the towns. On March 14th an attack was made upon Northampton, but was repulsed with severe loss to the enemy. On the 24th they appeared at Hatfield, but finding it well garrisoned made no attack, though driving off some horses and cattle. The Indians began to prepare for planting fields along the river; and Canonchet with a body of his men went back to their country to bring up seed-corn, of which large quantities were there stored. It is probable that a large company went towards Plymouth Colony, a small party of whom destroyed the house and family of Mr. Clarke at Plymouth village. March 17th they burned Warwick. Plymouth Colony sent out a company of fifty men under Capt. Michael Peirse, of Marshfield, to protect its frontiers. A party of twenty friendly Indians under "Capt. Amos" was joined with Capt. Peirse. This company marched to Seekonk, and there had a sharp skirmish with the Indians on the evening of March 25th. Next day, supposing they had beaten the Indians, they pursued them and were drawn into an ambush and surrounded, near Patuxit River, with great numbers, so that they were obliged to fight to the death. The whole company, including the officers, were killed, together with eight out of the twenty Indians. The enemy, too, lost very heavily. March 28th and 29th the Indians burned seventy houses and thirty barns at Providence.

In the meantime, in Massachusetts the enemy were not idle. Lurking parties hovered about Groton, plundering the vacated houses, and driving away any stray eattle within safe reach. On March 13th they fell upon the town in force. The people were gathered in five garrison-houses. One of the garrison-houses was captured, but the people mostly escaped to another. The other garrison-houses were stoutly defended. The Indians burned the unfortified houses and withdrew. On March 26th, the fatal day of Capt. Peirse's destruction, they burned sixteen houses and thirteen barns at Marlborough. Capt. Brocklebank, then in command at Marlborough, sent out a party in pursuit, who overtook and surprised the enemy at night sleeping about their fires, fired into their midst and put them to flight. On the same day, at Longmeadow, a party going to Springfield to church was ambushed by a small company of Indians, and several were

captured and killed.

Finding the campaign to have failed in its main object, the Council ordered Major Savage to withdraw his troops, leaving Capt. Wm. Turner, with a hundred and fifty men, to garrison the towns. April 7th the army marched homeward.

But now the Connecticut authorities, fearing a return of the Narragansets to their vicinity, in numbers such as overwhelmed Capt. Peirse, mustered a mixed company of English and Indians,



and sent them into the Narraganset country under command of Capts. Denison and Avery. These, guided by a captive whom they had taken, surprised and captured Canonchet not far from the Patuxit river, where he was encamped with a few of his men, while the great body were scattered, scouting and foraging. He was soon after executed by Oneko, by the judgment of the English authorities. The death of Canonchet was really the death-blow of the war, for he was the real leader of all active operations at this time. Philip was still the chief instigator, however, and now more than before, became, for the time, the controlling mind of a larger number than ever before. There were dissensions, however, and many of the chiefs began to murmur and some to threaten against him as the cause of all their troubles. Some of the river tribes began to show signs of weakening, and proposed negotiations with the English. Philip withdrew to the stronghold near Wachuset with such as adhered to him, and with Quinnapin, and such of the Narragansets as followed him. The Indians were still active, and watched every chance to strike a blow. They came to Marlborough on April 18th and burned the abandoned houses of the settlers. Capt. Brocklebank commanded the garrison there and refused to be drawn out into the ambuscades, which, before the burning, the Indians had set. On April 20th they crept down and encompassed the town of Sudbury. On that day Capt. Wadsworth marched up from Boston with a company of fifty men, passed through Sudbury, and doubtless the lines of the enemy, without any knowledge of their vicinity. He forced his march to the garrison at Marlborough, where they arrived about midnight on the 20th, and without delay, leaving their recruits, took those relieved to come home, including Capt. Brocklebank, and came back towards Sudbury. The great numbers of Indians had encompassed the town, and in the morning of the 21st began to burn outlying houses, to draw out the inhabitants from the garrison. They soon made a furious and persistent attack on Haines' garrison from morning till mid-day, but were beaten off. until rumors of reinforcements from various quarters caused them to withdraw to meet these. Edward Cowell and eighteen troopers coming to the relief of Sudbury were attacked, but escaped with only four killed; they turned back, suspecting the ambush laid for them. Capt. Wadsworth soon after arrived by another road, and meeting with an outpost of the enemy, rushed forward to engage them, and, as usual, they soon found themselves surrounded by great numbers, and were forced to a position on a hill, where most of the company fell fighting, including Capts. Wadsworth, Brocklebank, and Lieut. Sharpe. Some sixteen of the company managed to escape to a mill, and there defended themselves until relieved. A company from Watertown arrived soon after Captain Wadsworth, and crossing the river, made a



brave attempt to get to the hill to join him in his desperate fight. but were nearly surrounded themselves and forced to retire. Capt. Hunting with a company of Christian Indians and a squad of troopers arrived from Charlestown late in the afternoon, in time to rescue the men at the mill. After this fight, in which they struck such a terrible blow, and so close to Boston, too. they seem to have retired to their several camps, and soon to have gathered to their great fishing-places in order to take the run of fish. Capt. Turner was still in command of the garrisons at the west. From captives who had escaped, and scouts here and there, came rumors of a great company of Indians fishing at the "Upper Falls" of the Connecticut. Capt. Turner and his officers were anxious to strike a blow against the enemy, and Connecticut authorities were applied to, and promised speedy reinforcements. On May 12th the Indians made a raid into Deerfield meadows and stampeded some seventy head of cattle belonging to the English. Roused by this fresh outrage, the people urged retaliation, and Capt. Turner and his officers determined to attack the Indians at their great fishing-place at once. On May 18th the whole company of soldiers and volunteers. about one hundred and fifty, mustered at Hatfield, and marched out at evening towards the "Falls." They eluded the outposts of the enemy, and at daylight arrived undiscovered at the camp of the Indians at the fishing-place. The savages were asleep in their wigwams, and the English rushed down upon them and shot them by scores, pointing their muskets in through the wigwam doors. No resistance was possible, and those who escaped the first fire fled in terror to the river, pursued by the soldiers, and were cut down or driven into the water without mercy: many were drowned attempting to cross the river.

But it was soon found that there were several other great bodies of the Indians, above and below the Falls on both sides of the river, and these began to swarm towards the fight. Capt. Turner now prudently began a retreat, having struck his blow. As the soldiers retired the enemy gathered in great numbers upon rear and flanks, seeking to force the English into narrow defiles Capt. Holyoke commanded the rear-guard, and checked the enemy by stout fighting, but for which, it is likely, the whole command would have been lost. Capt. Turner led the advance, and while crossing Green River was shot down by Indians lying in wait. Capt. Holyoke then led the company back to Hattield, fighting nearly the whole way. There the killed and missing numbered forty-five. A few came in afterwards, reducing the number of the lost to about forty. It is estimated that some two hundred Indians must have been destroyed.

The blow struck by Capt. Turner greatly intimidated the enemy, though the retreat was so disastrous to the English. The tribes became divided and demoralized. They seem to have



broken up into small wandering parties. Philip, with large numbers of his adherents, went down towards Plymouth. Massachusetts sent troops to the western frontiers again, and also to aid Plymouth. The operations in the field were mostly the pursuit of non-combatants, the aged, and women and children. Large numbers of the Wampanoags and Narragansets had now returned with Philip to their own country. Small parties from time to time plundered and killed as opportunity offered. The colonists were roused to new activity at the evident weakening of the Indians. Aid was sent to Plymouth, under Capts. Brattle and Mosely; and Capt. Henchman did good service in the parts about Brookfield. Major Talcott, with a mixed force of English and Indians, about five hundred in all, came up the river and marched into Hadley about the 11th of June, and was quartered there on the 12th, when the Western Indians, some seven hundred strong, made their last great assault in force in these parts. The town was quite strongly garrisoned besides this reinforcement, of which probably the enemy knew nothing. The attack was altogether unexpected and was furious and determined, but the repulse was decided and sanguinary. Major Talcott then led his force down into the Narraganset country, where, about the 2d of July, he encountered a great body of Indians, and driving them into the woods and swamps slew great numbers, and took many captives. The plight of the savages was pitiful; without ammunition, without leadership, without country or hope of any sort, they found no mercy now at the hands of their olden foes, the Mohegans and Pequods, nor yet the English.

The remaining operations of the war in these parts were simply the hunting down of almost defenceless enemies. The colonial authorities issued a proclamation, calling all those Indians who had been engaged in the war to come in and surrender, submitting themselves to the judgment of the English courts. Many parties sought to take advantage of this, but were captured upon their approach by scouting parties, and treated as captives. Some of those who had been prominent in the war and could not hope for mercy, escaped to the eastward and put themselves under the protection of Wannalancet and his Pennacooks, who had remained neutral. Some fled farther to the east, and there incited war.

The constant success which the Connecticut troops had always had after their use of the Mohegans and Pequods, was a plain rebuke to the Massachusetts colonists for the numerous disasters from which the Christian Indians might have saved them, if they had trusted and employed them. As soon as Capt. Hunting and his Indian company were put in the field, this appeared. The Indians in small parties skulking in woods and swamps might have eluded English soldiers for years, but as soon as other Indians were employed, escape was impossible.

At the close of July, many of Philip's followers had been



taken, and his wife and several of his chief men were captives or had been killed. With a small band of his followers he was hiding in the swamps at Mount Hope and Pocasset. English scouting parties were active in all parts of the colonies hunting down the trembling and unresisting fugitives, and especially Benjamin Church was among the most active in hunting and bringing in the Indians, and when one of Philip's men came to betray his chief, he found Mr. Church at Major Sanford's in Rhode Island, with his scouting party of English and Indians a short distance away. Upon the news of Philip's hiding-place and the offer of the Indian to lead thither, Mr. Church gathered as many as he could enlist in addition to his party, and, under the lead of the Indian deserter (who acted, it is said, from motives of revenge for his brother's death, by Philip's hand, because he advised him to make peace with the English), the party marched with great secrecy to Mount Hope. Mr. Church arranged his attack with skill, and came upon Philip's party unguarded and asleep, and Philip springing up and attempting to escape to the swamp near by, was confronted with two of Mr. Church's guards, an Englishman and an Indian. The Englishman's gun missed fire, but the Indian, named "Alderman," immediately fired and shot the great chief through the breast, so that he fell forward into the water of the swamp, upon his face, dead. Philip was killed August 12th, 1676. Weetamoo's party, the sad remnant of her tribe, had been captured on the 7th, and she, trying to escape across a river, was drowned, and, her body being found, her head was cut off and paraded in the public streets.

After Philip's death, his chief counsellor, Annawon, led the rest of the party out of the swamp and escaped. With his party he soon after surrendered to Mr. Church. The death of Philip was practically the close of the war, though hostilities continued for some time after, and at the eastward for a year or more longer. At Dover, Major Richard Walderne had held command of the military interests and operations in those parts. He was a trusted friend of Wannalancet and the neighboring Indians. Under the proclamation the old chief and his people came in without fear, as they had taken no part whatever in the war. There were many Indians with them, however, it was suspected, who had been among the hostiles, and now wished to come in with the Pennacooks and secure the advantages of their influence in giving themselves up. They began to come in at Dover about the first of September, and when, on the 6th, the companies, sent to the eastward under Capt. Hathorn, arrived at Dover, there were some four hundred there, including the Pennacooks. In some way the immediate surrender of all these was received, probably by Major Walderne's great influence with them. They were then disarmed, and as the Massachusetts officers insisted upon treating them all as prisoners of war, Major Walderne was



obliged to send all, save Wannalancet and his "relations," down to Boston to be tried there by the Court. The number sent was about two hundred.

Some of the Southern Indians, having lost all except their own lives, passed to the Eastern tribes and were active in exciting to hostility. The local Indians had been hostile the previous year, committing depredations from the Kennebec to Portsmouth. In the summer of 1676, it is thought that many who had been among the Indians in the war, came to these tribes and caused much of the trouble which ensued. The day before Philip's death the Indians fell upon the settlers at Falmouth, and killed or carried away some thirty-four persons and burned their houses. Further eastward also the settlements were attacked. It was upon these occasions that Capt. Hathorn's force was sent to these parts. They marched on from Dover on September 8th, as far as Falmouth, Capt. Hunting's Indians scouting the woods. This expedition was not of much avail, as the Indians easily eluded the troops, being only war parties without the encumbrance of women and children.

In November, 1676, a company was sent up into the mountain regions of New Hampshire to break up a winter encampment of the Ammoscoggin and Pigwacket Indians, who had been active in the hostile movements at the eastward settlements during the summer and fall, and were now said to be gathering into

winter quarters in a great fort, near "Ossapy Lake."

After a severe march, the fort was discovered, but no signs of Indians, and after scouting in small parties some twelve miles beyond this fort, they burned the same, and marched back to Berwick, having been gone nine days. In the meantime the ' Penobscot sagamore, Mugg, or, as he was afterwards called, "Mogg Hegone" (and in Whittier's poem Mogg Megone), came to the English in behalf of Madockawando, the sachem of Penobscot, to treat for peace, and the return of the English captives. A treaty was concluded at Boston, November 6th, 1676, by which Mugg agreed to return all the captives and goods taken from the English, and offered to remain with the English until the same was done. Two vessels were fitted out, and sailed to Penobscot, where they arrived the first week in December, and found the great chief, Madockawando, who received and treated them kindly. He delivered to them two captives, who were then with him, and Mugg was allowed to go up into the country, to try to bring down some others, who were said to be at another camp. He did not return; and the vessels, after a few days' waiting, sailed to Pemaquid, where they received some more English captives, and returned home. Among the captives received at Pemaquid was Thomas Cobbet, son of Rev. Thomas, of Ipswich. He had been among the savages for several months, and his interesting story of his captivity gave much and correct informa-



tion in regard to the strength, habits, temper, and intentions of

the Indians and their other captives.

Soon after that, another captive, Francis Card, escaped and brought later news, and one item of great importance was that Mugg had returned to the Indians on the Kennebec, who were the real leaders in the war in those parts. He said that Mugg boasted greatly of the trick he had played upon the English, and threatened great things to be done against them in the spring. He gave a minute description of the country, the condition of the Indians, and the easiest approaches to their places

of encampment.

He said that the numbers of the Indians were not so large as reported, their war-party, in full force, being not over a hundred men. The captives with them were well, and not abused, except they were made to work for their captors. Stirred up and encouraged by this report, the Council at Boston raised a force of two hundred men, of whom sixty were Natick Indians, and sent them away by water, to the eastward, the first week in February: Major Waldron, of Dover, being Commander-in-chief of the expedition. The forces were at Blackpoint on February 17th, and sailed eastward along the shore, landing in Maquoit Bay, where Capt. Frost with his company had a skirmish with a body of the savages, without much loss on either side, and followed next day with an attempt at a treaty. Thence they sailed around to the Kennebec, and landing at Arrowsick Island, left a part of their force there, to build a fort and establish a garrison. Major Waldron, with a part of the company under Capt. Frost, went to Pemaguid and ransomed some captives there; but, discovering a plot to destroy himself and a small party who went on shore to treat with the Indians, he called his soldiers ashore, and attacking the enemy furiously, drove them to their canoes which they had near by, killing some, among whom was the sagamore Mattahando, leader in this affair. Sailing back to Arrowsick, Major Waldron gathered his forces together, leaving a small garrison at Kennebec, and went home to Boston, where they arrived safely, without the loss of a man, on March 11th, 1677.

In April following an attempt was made by the Massachusetts authorities to enlist the Mohawk Indians against the hostile savages upon the North and Eastern borders. Major Pynchon, of Springfield, with Mr. James Richards of Hartford, and twelve men as a guard, made a journey to the Mohawk country to arrange for their cooperation.

This action was taken with the advice of Gov. Andros, of New York, and some of the Indians did really come into the borders of New Hampshire and Maine; but the distance was so great from their country that little was achieved except by the terror inspired among the Eastern tribes, by the rumor of their coming.



This measure was questioned by many as to its lawfulness, in employing heathen to fight the battles of the Lord; but the General Court fell back upon the scriptural precedent of Abraham employing the Amorites, and so justified its somewhat questionable proceeding. The Indians on the Kennebec were not deterred from hostilities, which were renewed by the killing of nine of the garrison left the year before, at that place. So the Massachusetts Court at once called upon the other colonies to assist them in raising a new force to send into those parts. Up to the present time, Massachusetts had borne the whole expense of the Eastern wars, but now call them to raise their proportional part of one hundred English, and two hundred Indian soldiers, to rendezvous at Blackpoint. But in the meantime Massachusetts had acted with promptness in sending Capt. Hunting to bring the remaining garrison at Kennebec, and strengthening the garrisons at Wells with a company under Capt. Benjamin Swett, and at Blackpoint with another company under Lieut. Tippin. In May, the Eastern tribes, elated by their success in driving the English out of their country, gathered all their forces against the above garrisons. The Indian leaders in this campaign were Symon, a renegade Christian Indian, and Mugg, above mentioned. both wary and skilful, and well acquainted with the country around, and with the English people and their habits. Indian forces under these leaders at this time were well-tried men from the Penobscot, Kennebec, and Ammoscoggin tribes of the Tarratines, ranking as fighters next to the Pequods and Mohawks. They were well equipped and supplied, probably by the French in Canada.

It does not appear that either of the other colonies sent men to assist in this campaign, and the force that was raised by Massachusetts was too small, and the English part of it was mostly of young and untried men and boys who had seen no service except in garrisons. They seem also to have entirely underrated the numbers and temper of the enemy. On the 13th of May, the Blackpoint garrison had beaten off a large body of the Indians after a fierce assault of three days, on the last of which Lieut. Tippin had shot and killed the leader, Mugg; when the Indians had gone away towards Wells and York, as told above. On July 28th, Capt. Swett, with forty young English recruits, and a company of thirty-six Natick Indians, landed at Blackpoint garrisonhouse, the Indians being under the command of Lieut. James Richardson. Next morning the enemy with quite a large party appeared not far from the fort, when Capt. Swett drew out his whole force, with a number from the garrison, and pursued them with headlong haste about two miles, when, at the edge of a hill, with a dark swamp on each side, they found themselves ambushed, after the old fashion at Brookfield, Deerfield, Sudbury. etc., whose lessons, after two centuries, the American soldiers



have not fully learned. Half the English were shot down at the first volley, and the raw young lads were completely paniestricken, and unable to make any defence. The Captain with a few tried men rallied and attempted to bring off their wounded and make good a retreat to the fort. The odds were too heavy against him, and having received many wounds, he was at last surrounded and overpowered by the foe, and fell not far from the garrison, still fighting.

Lieut. Richardson fell near the first onset. Forty of the English and twelve of the Natick Indians were killed at the time. It is not known how many the enemy lost; but they made no further attempt upon the garrison and soon retired. The next hostile move of these Indians was in a new direction. They captured no less than thirteen fishing-vessels with their crews and

loads along the Eastern shores.

In August of this year (1677), Gov. Andros, of New York, sent a ship with a force of men to Pemaquid, which, when the Indians understood, they soon, for some reason, came to proper terms of peace, returned the English captives and the captured vessels into the hands of the New York soldiers, by whom they

were soon returned home.

Yet another act in this long tragedy was to come. The scene changes to Hatfield, where, September 19th, the people of that village were engaged in raising a house, having no thought of any Indian hostility in the colony. Suddenly they were set upon by a party of River Indians, forty or fifty in number, who had crept about them so secretly that they were unarmed and utterly helpless. Some were shot down from the frame of the building. Twelve were killed outright, and some twenty more were made captive and carried to Canada. The story of the captivity and redemption of these last, by the two brave Hatfield men, Benjamin Wait and Stephen Jennings, is one of the most heroic and interesting of the whole war. The Indians killed one man and captured three more at Deerfield that same day. This was the last act of any considerable importance in the war known as "King Philip's War," the particulars of which are to be related in the following chapters.



THE BEGINNING OF HOSTILITIES IN KING PHILIP'S WAR.

I.

CAPTAIN DANIEL HENCHMAN'S COMPANY.

T the opening of the war, the colonial militia was quite A efficiently organized. Each county had its regiment of "trained soldiers." The regiments of Suffolk and Middlesex counties consisted of fifteen companies of Foot and one of Cavalry each. The Essex regiment was of thirteen Foot and one Cavalry; the other counties smaller. There were seventy-three organized companies in the Massachusetts Colony, besides an independent cavalry company called the "Three County Troop," made up in Suffolk, Middlesex and Essex. The highest military officer of the colony was Major General Daniel Denison, of Ipswich. The highest regimental officer at this time was Major, or Sergeant Major. These local companies were not sent on active service out of their towns, but men were impressed from the number and placed under officers appointed for special service by the Council. Each company of Foot had a Captain, Lieutenant, Ensign, Clerk, Sergeants, Corporals, and a Drummer. Cavalry had Cornett instead of Ensign and a Trumpeter and Quartermaster. The regular number of privates in foot companies was seventy, in the cavalry fifty. On special service it was more. The pay of soldiers was 6s. per week, and 5s. was paid for their "dyet." There is no way of determining the rate of pay from Hull's Journal, as all payments are "on acct" and do not specify time of service. Plymouth Colony paid the private soldiers 2s. per day, Drummers 2s. 6d., Sergeant 3s., Ensign 4s., "Lieftenant" 5s., Captain 6s. A "Chyrurgion" or doctor was attached to each expedition. A chaplain also generally served with each expedition. The price paid for horses was 18d. per week. Prices of Clothing, "Wastcoats," 6s., Drawers 5s. 6d., "Stockins" 2s., Shirts 6s., Shoes 4s.

On the Mount Hope expedition the soldiers used the Old Matchlock musket, the "Regulation" weapon of that time; but it was afterwards discarded as not so serviceable as the Flintlock



or "Snaphance." There were no bayonets in use, but each company at first had a number of Pikemen, soon found to be useless in an Indian fight. The "Matchlock" was an exceedingly cumbrous affair, and was too long and heavy to fire at arm's length, so that each soldier was obliged to carry a "rest" (a crotched staff pointed at the foot with iron, and attached to his wrist by a string). No. 7 of the orders in musket drill, "Elton's Tactics," was, "Put the string of your rest about your left wrist." The Indians always used the Flintlock, and used slugs, or heavy shot instead of bullets. The other equipments of a foot soldier were a "Snapsack," six feet of match or fuse, a Bandoleer, which was a leathern belt passing over the right shoulder and under the left arm and containing a dozen or more round boxes each holding one charge of powder; a bag of bullets and a horn of priming-powder was also attached to this belt. These matters will be more fully treated in the Appendix.

BEGINNING OF HOSTILITIES.

A brief survey of the state of affairs in Boston on June 24th, 1675, when news of the attack of the Indians on Swansea, and Plymouth Colony's appeal for aid, arrived, may be in place here, especially as in Massachusetts Records there is nothing relating to the matter from the adjournment of the Court on May 12 until it was called together on July 19th. It is to be regretted that the records are lost, as we know many important meetings were held in this time. I insert the following fragments, preserved in Mass. Archives, vol. 67, as testimony of the energy which the Court displayed in answering the appeal of the sister colony.

The following is a portion of a letter from the General Court of Massachusetts Colony to Plymouth Colony, in answer to her

appeal for assistance:

June 24, 1675.

Honrd S^r According to what 1 writ you yesterday we are now convened in Council to Consider of your desire of a supply of some men from hence and we have resolved to rayse one hundred foot and 50 horse that shall be speedily upon their march towards Swansey and for the furtherance and better management &c we have commissionated our faithful friend Major Thomas Savage &c. . . .

[June 24, 1675.] Att a meeting of the General Court on the 24. June 1675. Ordered that the Secretary issue out a warrant to the Constable of Boston to Impress forthwith five Able and Special horses for the service of the country, and that Capt Savage and Capt Oliver have charge of them, and their men each of them one.

Capt Richard is voted to goe forth in this Expedition (who shame-

fully refused the Employment).1

¹This parenthesis is added by another hand. This captain was John Richard, of the 6th Company, and as he was afterwards a trusted officer in the colony, probably the Court did not agree with the remark of the anonymous writer.



Capt Daniel Henchman was chosen and voted to goe forth as Capt of 100 men for the service of this Colony on y^c designe to go to Plymouth Col y .

Capt Thomas Prentice is appointed to be Capt of the Horse.

To the Militia of the town of Boston, Cha. Camb. Watertown, Roxbury, Dorchester, Dedham, Brantrey, Weymouth, Hingham, Maulden—You are hereby required in his Majesty's name to take notice that the Gov' & Council have ordered 100 able souldjers forthwith impressed out of the severall Towns according to the proportions hereunder written for the aid and assistance of our confederate Plymouth in the designe afoote aga the Indians, and accordingly you are to warne afa proportions to be ready at an hours warning from Capt Daniel Henchman who is appointed Captain and Commander of the Foote Company that each souldjer shal have his armse compleat and Snapsack ready to march and not faile to be at the randevous.

To the Committee of -

The Council is adjourned till tomorrow at 8 of the clock at Roxbury.

E. R. Sec'y. (i.e. Edward Rawson, Secretary.)

The special commission of Capt. Henchman for this service is also in the Archives, vol. 67.

To D. H. Capt. with the Consent of the Councill for the Colony of Mass. in New England.

Whereas you are apoynted Capt of a foote Company to Serve in this Expedition for the assistance of our neighbors of Plinouth against the insolences and outrages of the natives, these are to wil and require you to take charge of the said Company of foote, mounted as dragoons, & you are to command and instruct your inferior officers and souldjers according to military rules for the service and saftey of the Country, and you to attend such orders from tyme to tyme as you shal receyve from your superior Commanders or the Council of this Colony.

Past 25 June 1675

E. R. Seev

Signed by ye Govar

Daniel Henchman appears in Boston as early as March, 1666, when he was employed at a salary of £40 per annum "to assist Mr Woodmaney in the Grammar Schoole and teach the childrer to wright;" was on a committee with Capts. Gookin, Prentice and Beers, to lay out "the new Plantation at Quansigamond Ponds" (now Worcester), and settle its affairs, in 1667. He was thereafter the chief manager in that settlement, and received the largest number of acres in the first division. He was admitted freeman in 1672; was appointed captain of 5th Boston Company, Colonial Militia, May 12, 1675, and commissioned for the special expedition, as above noted. He is seen to have been one of the most trusted officers of the Court.



Capt. Daniel Henchman m. (probably in England) Sarah, dau. of Hezekiah Woodward, Gentleman, of Uxbridge, Middlesex, England, who, in his will of the 22: Feb'y 1674, gives "to the five children of my daughter, Sarah Henchman deceased, by Daniel Henchman of Boston in New England," the sum of "twenty pounds apiece, to be paid at their respective ages of twenty-one years." Then he gives all his lands and tenements in Ireland, to the said Daniel Henchman, in trust for the said Their five children whose names are known to us were Richard, Hezekiah, Nathaniel, Susanna b. 7: June: 1667, and William, b. 28: July: 1669, and died sometime before March 29: 1673. Sarah, the wife, died; and Capt. Henchman married, 26: April, 1762, Mary, dau. of William Poole of Dorchester, by whom he had William (2), b. 29; March, 1673; Jane, b. 25: May: 1674; Daniel, b. 16: June, 1677; and Mary, b. 1: June, 1682. He died at Worcester, 15: Oct. 1685. His Widow Mary, and his sons Richard and Hezekiah administered upon his estate, which by inventory of 29: Apr. 1686, was rated £1381: 13:09. The surname appears in various forms, as Hinchman, Hincksman, Hinksman, etc. Two of his descendants, through his son Nathaniel, have graduated at Harvard.

CAPT. HENCHMAN MARCHES FROM BOSTON TO MOUNT HOPE.

Pursuant to his commission, Capt. Henchman marshalled his company, and, on the afternoon of June 26: 1675, marched out from Boston in company with the "troop of horse," under the command of Capt. Thomas Prentice, of Cambridge. At Dedham they halted for an hour, during an eclipse of the moon, which occurred on that evening. Then they marched on as far as "Woodcock's Garrison" (Attleboro'), where they arrived in the morning, and waited until the afternoon, when Capt. Mosely with his company of "Volunteers" overtook them, and the three companies then marched on together to Swansey. They arrived at the house of Rev. John Miles, the minister of Swansey, where they quartered for the night. This was on June 28. 29th, Major Thomas Savage, commander-in-chief of the Massachusetts forces, arrived with his company and the Troop of Capt. Nicholas Paige. Capt. Henchman's men were engaged in the movements through Mount Hope, and scouting about the country until July 4th, when they marched back to headquarters at Swansey. At a council of war, July 5th, in consequence of orders received from Boston by hand of Capt. Hutchinson, it was determined to march all the Massachusetts forces into the Narraganset country. Accordingly the next ten days were spent in the march thither, and the treaty with the Sachems. During this time the Plymouth forces under Major James Cudworth, Capt. Matthew Fuller, and Benjamin Church were pursuing Philip into Poeasset; and Mr. Church "hasted over and 'borrowed'



three files of Henchman's men and his lieutenant," to assist in the enterprise. On July 15th, all the Massachusetts forces marched to Rehoboth, on the 16th to Mattapoisett, on the 17th to Taunton, and on the 18th to Pocasset Swamp, where they immediately attacked the Indians, and five English were killed and seven wounded. Owing to the darkness the forces withdrew. It was decided to withdraw all the Massachusetts troops except Capt. Henchman's company, which remained with the Plymouth Maj. Savage, Capts. Paige and Mosely forces at Pocasset. marched back to Boston, and Capt. Prentice with his troop scouted towards Mendon. It was determined to build a fort at Pocasset and "starve Philip out." But near the end of July Philip escaped by water, either wading at low tide, or "wafting" on rafts, and passed into the Nipmuck country, abandoning about one hundred of their women and children in the swamp. Capt. Henchman appears not to have known of Philip's escape until news was brought him from the mainland on July 29th, 30th, etc. Letters to him from Rev. Noah Newman and Peter Hunt, of Rehoboth, were enclosed by him in one of his own to the Governor (which I have copied here), and are preserved in the Mass. Archives, vol. 67. In itself it is the best explana-tion of this time at hand. Fort Leverett was at Pocasset, built by Capt. Henchman's company and named for the governor.

Letter of Capt. Daniel Henchman to the Governor.

Hond Sr.

Fort Leverett, July 31, 1675.

Since my last (of the 28th) the Generall the 29th day landed here one hundred men, his designe to releeve Dartmouth being as reported in some distress; Past nine of the clock last night Lt Thomas brought me the two first enclosed letters from Rehoboth and Mr James Brown with him to press my going thither, which with what strength I could was yeelded to, (I having just finished the South East flanker of the fort so farr as to be a good defence for my men) drew my company together by a false alarm in the night, some being at a distance getting stockadoes; and provided for our March before day taking six files with me and the 17 Indians (all now left) and leaving five files behind to be going on with the work, and the Brigandine; About 11 of the clock a second post came to acquaint me with the third Mr Brown and the Lt being gon to endeavour the enclosed letter. giving of notice to the Genⁿ to Warwick and the Narragansett Indians to head Philip, At break I shipped my men in a sloope for Seaconk and while under sail Mr Almie brought word that one Dan. Stanton of the Island at his returne yesterday from Dartmouth affirmes that severall parties of Indians with their armes to the number of about 80 surrendered themselves to that garrison for mercie, who have secured them in an Island by them. After my Company was landed within two miles of Seaconk before all were on shore an other letter came to me from L' Thomas Advising to land at Providence being



nearer to the enemy, I strait remanded my men on bord, gave each one 3 biseakes, a fish and a few raisons with ammunission which may last two or three days, I make bould to enclose to coppies of the letters sent least anything in my whurry might be omitted; The Lord preserve and spirite you still for this his worke; my humble service to all those worthies with you; I would gladly know of y^t Hon^{ts} welfare; and begg the prayers of all to God to qualifie me for my present imploy; being the unfittest of many yet pardon my confused lines being begun at my Quarters and patched vp in several places

Hon'd S'
Y' Hon's Humble Servant D. HENCHMAN.

The above letter was written evidently on the passage to Seakonk and Providence. He landed at Providence next morning. and marched twenty miles in pursuit of the Indians before he came up with the Plymouth forces and the Mohegans, who had been sent to him from Boston, but had been met by the Rehoboth men and persuaded to join them in the pursuit of Philip; these had come up with Philip's rear, and had a sharp fight before Capt. Henchman arrived. The Mohegans were now passed to his command, and the troops being wearied with the long march bivouacked till morning, and the Plymouth forces returned to Rehoboth, leaving to Capt. Henchman the further pursuit of Philip, which was renewed next morning. With his six files (consisting of sixty-eight men), the fifty Mohegans and the seventeen Naticks, Capt. Henchman marched into the Nipmuck country as far as the "second fort," to a place called Wapososhequish, August 3, but without finding Philip; and having continued the pursuit until provisions were exhausted and all were tired out to no purpose, the Mohegans returned to their home, and Capt. Henchman marched his force to Mendon, meeting Capt. Mosely with sixty dragoons on the way with supplies. August 8, Capt. Henchman went down to Boston to get orders from the Governor and Council, and left most if not all his men at Mendon. (August 16, a part of them were in charge of Capt. Mosely, twelve of whom were detailed to Chelmsford garrison by him.) Capt. Henchman received his instructions for future proceedings in a letter from Gen. Daniel Denison, commander-in-chief of Massachusetts Forces, given August 9th, 1675. This letter commanded him in brief to return to his men left at Pocasset, to fetch them and the "provisions and ammunision" off. He was to advertise the Plymouth commander of this design, and if said commander wished him to remain there, to await further orders from the Council; otherwise to turn over the fort to the care of the Plymouth forces, and march his men to Boston and disband them until again called out by the Council. In his march to Pocasset he was given authority to press horses and guides, or require them of the various constables of



the towns passed, and on his return likewise. On his return he was to draw off the Massachusetts "souldjers" at Woodcock's garrison, and also at Mr. Hudson's house, unless he should deem it unsafe, Hudson' being of our colony whom we are to take care of." Plymouth Colony preferred to take charge of the fort, and Capt. Henchman brought his soldiers home to Boston as commanded.

"It will be understood that the Soldiers of Plymouth Colony played an important part in this campaign, reaching the seat of war before those of Massachusetts; and the account of this will be given in separate chapters, after Massachusetts is finished. The letters of Rev. Noah Newman, Lieut. Nathaniel Thomas, Peter Hunt, and Mr. James Brown's part are all of interest and importance."

The following list, gathered from John Hull's Account-book, from date to date, and here arranged together, doubtless shows the Company which served under Capt. Henchman, in this

campaign.

As to the spelling of the names, I have not departed in the least from the original. It must be remembered that the names were entered in the Journal from "Debentures" made by the clerks of companies, and the names at the first were entered on the company rolls as each man was understood to pronounce his own name, and unless the clerk was acquainted with the name, he spelled it by the easiest method: hence many strange variations appear. The Ledger account often has two forms for the same name.

The list of Soldiers credited with Military Service under Capt. Daniel Henchman.

August 20, 1675. Thomas Burges. 02 06 02 1 Richard Gibson. 02 07 00 John Hills. 00 06 00 Thomas Williams. 02 07 00 00 06 10 John Lewis. 01 14 03 Joseph Ford. 01 06 06 01 15 02 Samuel Walles. John Angel 02 07 00 Benjamin Negus 01 15 02 William Bently. 01 15 00 02 02 00 Peter Edgerton. John Chapman. 00 16 02 Robert Smith. 02 02 00 . John Bull. 02 00 00 02 08 00 William Manly. Richard Brooks. 01 10 00 02 07 00 | John Barrett. Thomas Irons. 02 07 00 | Joseph Fiske. 01 10 00 Samuel Perkins. Joseph Tucker. 02 05 00 Hugh Taylor. 02 07 00 02 07 00 Israel Smith. 00 12 00 David Jones. 01 10 00 James Whippo. 02 07 00 Samuel Ireson. 02 07 00 August 21 1675 Theophilus Thornton 02 07 00 James Dichetto. 00 15 00 Nathaniel Osborne. 09 07 00 01 14 06 Jacob Gully. Samuel Davis. 02 04 06 02 07 00 . Isaac Ratt. Henry Kerby. Samuel Veze (als. Very) 02 07 00 01 07 00 Ephraim Hall.



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John Thorn.		07			W ^m Smallidge.	01		()4
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Benjamin Bishop.	02				Enoch Greenleaf, Lieut.		10	O()
John Throp.		07		1	Samuel Johnson.	03	07	()()
Solomon Watts.		07		-	William Drew.	02	07	00
Philip Coker.	02		00		William Hardin.	01	04	06
John Jeffries.	02				John Cray.	01	19	01
Robert Wills.		07	00	i	Nathaniel Fiske.	01	13	06
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Nicholas Weymouth.	02	07	00		John King.	01	11	()()
Nathaniel Jewell.	02	07	00		James Ogleby.	00	07	08
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William Parham.	02				Thomas Region.	01	19	0.4
Thomas Roberts.		04			Thomas Hincher.	01	04	00
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Peter Bennett, Marshall.	.01	16	0.0		Edward Weeden	01	19	04
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Phillip Jessop.	01	06		1	Osbel Morrison.	02	19	00
Charles Blincott. Sergt.	02	14	0.0	1	John Cross	01	06	
Isaac Amsden.	02	07	0.0		Perez Savage. Ensigne		08	
Henry Prentice.	02	-	0.0	1	Roger Procer.	01	04	
John Streeter.	02	07	00		Robert Orchard. Sergt		01	00
Abraham Hathaway.	02	07	00		September 21, 16			
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John Oates.		00			Matthew Stone.	00		00
William Hopkins.	01		00	1	Nathaniel Kean.		04	10
Ralph Hall, Clark	03		00	1	Benjamin Tower		10	04
Thomas Wigfall, Ensigne	03	0.5	()4		Jonathan Dunning.	01	17	06

FURTHER SERVICE OF CAPT. HENCHMAN.

There was intensely bitter feeling about this time in Boston as to the way captive Indians should be treated. The intercession of the venerable John Eliot and the strenuous advocacy of Capt. Gookin in their behalf, had created great animosity not



only against themselves but all who advised moderate measures. Capt. Henchman seems to have been of the moderate party, and was therefore somewhat unpopular with most of the soldiers, and doubtless his apparent lack of success in the pursuit of Philip at Rehoboth added to this feeling with the people. But the court sustained and trusted him, and immediately reappointed him to service over one hundred men who met at Roxbury meeting-house, but refused to march forth under his command, and demanded Capt. Oliver. The council compromised the matter and sent them Capt. Lake, but they are not credited with any service under him. Capt. Henchman seems to have been employed in August and September in regulating affairs in some of the outlying towns, and these men perhaps served as his patrol or guard.

Oct 5 1675		Edward Dickinson.	$02 \ 07 \ 00$
Richard Wood.	00 10 04	Jacob Bullard.	01 18 06
Ephraim Willer, Corp ¹	$02 \ 05 \ 00$	Samuel Whitney.	01 18 06
Thomas May.	01 19 04	John Shattock	$01 \ 02 \ 00$
Michael Bearstow.	00 10 04	Daniel Keniday.	01 17 08
Thomas Webb.	01 19 04	1	

September 27th we find him at Chelmsford garrison in command, as we see by the following letter of that date.

Capt. Henchman's Letter to the Governor.
Chelmsford Sept 27, '75. [This was Monday.]

Hond Sr

In pursuance of my instructions; I and my Lieut, met at Major Willard's the last day of the week, with the Captaines of the severall townes directed to; as well for the drawing of the Souldiers, as to advise with them; for the first they promise they shall be sent to chelmsford at an hours warning and so will be ready here by that time I have provission for them; and that of absolute necessity for them will be powder short biscake cheese and raisons, large and warme Wast-coats and drawers tobaco, some hatchets and a Chirurgion; for the later the Major and rest of the officers will advise to no other motion than about this and other towns; but I understanding the intent of the Hod Council to be that I should march to Pennycooke although not named in my instructions; I think it need full to acquaint your Hon's there with, and desire your express there unto. I have not farther at present but to subscribe

S' your Hon's humble Servant (Mass. Archives, vol. 67, 269.) D. HENCHMAN.

Major Willard was of Lancaster, but his house was in Groton, at what is now Ayer Junction; and the date was Saturday, September 25th.

November 1st Capt. Henchman marched out of Boston towards Hassanameset (Grafton) with a small body of men (20), and arrived at Medfield at 3 P.M. on the same day. The next morning he writes the Governor from that place.



Medfield Nov. 2d 1675

Hond Sr

My orders directing me to the several places and times that my souldiers were to be ready at. Speded my march accordingly; and reached this place vesterday by three of the clock afternoon; and had with me only 20 men that marched from Boston with me - Since divers are come up, and all that at present I am like to have by nine of the clock last night. Several hear as well as myself have great thoughts how it fareth with Mendam, having not heard since they sent to Boston, I am hasting to march this morning but hoped if the men's refreshments had not given check to have been gon by moon rising, I cannot see by acct taken before I draw out that my number will amount to above 75, some sending short of what ordered and 37 discharged by order, I have not any officer but a Sergeant from Roxbury; some men and the armes of others not fit for service, notwithstanding the strikt orders given by the Major. Our greatest danger (as I judged) if the enemy designs upon us this day, will be at a pass six miles from hence; the which I hope we shall look unto the Lord in the use of means to avoid; some being to returne home this morning I thought it meet to give this acct. Begging your prayers for us I desire that all our supplications may be accepted for the Country and the interest of our Lord Jesus Christ therein; and rest Hond Sr

Your humble Servant D. Henchman.

[This is in a P. S.]

When the Lord shall have brought us safe to Mendam I shall attend the Major's orders there and wait for the recruits intended me.

As will be seen by the above letter, the captain expected recruits to be ready and meet him at certain towns on the way, and was disappointed in receiving none, and also with the unfiness of those that came up afterwards, and in answer to this letter, the Court, on November 3d, ordered the "Major of Suffolk to send out of his regiment eighteen able men armed and furnished with ammunition and provision for ten days under the conduct of a fitt person to make Lieftenant," to recruit Capt. Henchman's company and search out the enemy at Hassanameset. The lieutenant chosen was probably Philip Curtis, of Roxbury, who was killed before he received his formal commission. I presume, as no order for his commission is found.

Capt. Henchman marches to Mendon, arrives on the 2d at 4 P.M., and writes immediately that they "arrived all safe and found the towne in like condition," and "pressed four horses for Scouts to send to Hassanemeset." He found the inhabitants "drawn into two houses," and "in a pestered condition," and holds frequent meetings with them in order to prevail upon them to remain at Mendon contented. This and frequent scouting and reports took up his time until the arrival of the men from Boston.

It seems also from this letter that he had not yet heard from Capt. Sill, as it was proposed, and was preparing to send his



soldiers home to Boston; was intending that morning sending all his troopers, eight in number and three files of men; but he gets orders from the Council by messengers from Capt. Sill. In order to meet Capt. Sill, fourteen miles away, he is forced to change a file of men with the garrison on account of their destitution of "clothes and shoes."

On the 9th, with his lieutenant and twenty-two mounted men, he rides to Hassanameset, and has a fight there, of which he writes the details on the 10th. In his letter he relates that his lieutenant, Philip Curtis, is killed, and Thomas Andrews also (one of the Mendon garrison); and mentions that his corporal, Abiell Lamb, outran himself in the attack, and that all his own and the lieutenant's men ran away from him in the fight except (one of his "old souldiers," as he thinks) Jonathan Dunning.

The following list embraces those who served under Capt. Henchman from November 2d, and were credited November 3d, as will be seen by the credits. The service was brief. Amongst these were eight troopers, which may explain in part the differ-

ence in credits.

November	$30^{\rm th}$	1675		William Price.	00 14 06
Edward Barton.		01 0	5 08	William Davenport.	$00 \ 17 \ 02$
Isaac Heath.		00 1	6 02	Thomas Smith.	00 17 02
Henry Kirby.		00 1	7 02	Joseph Bugby.	00 11 02
Jeremiah Wise.		01 0	0 06	Samuel Gardner.	00 17 02
Benjamin Negus.		00 1	7 02	Simon Rogers	$00 \ 17 \ 02$
John Leech.		01 1	9 - 04	Abiel Lamb.	00 19 02
James White.		00 1	7 - 02	Richard Woods.	00 17 02
John Good.		00 1	7 - 02	Degory Sargent.	$00 \ 17 \ 02$
Joseph Bateman.		00 1	7 - 02	Josiah Mann.	00 17 02
Edward Everet.		00 0	7 02	John Malony.	$01 \ 19 \ 04$
Richard Francis.		$02 \ 0$	0 - 00	Francis Siddall.	01 19 04
John Kemble.		00 1	7 02	Hugh Price.	00 17 02
Experience Orris.		00 1	7 - 02	James Harrington.	$00 \ 17 \ 02$
Samuel Ryall.		00 1	0.04	Benjamin Gamlin.	01 00 00
Joseph Gridley.		01 - 0	5-06	Isaae Morris.	00 17 02
William Bodkin.		00 1	7-02	Josiah Holland.	00 17 02
William Hooper.		00 1	7 02	Joseph Wilson.	00 17 02
John Tuckerman.		00 - 1	7 02	Samuel Ruggles.	00 17 02
John Cann.		01 0	0 00	Philip Curtis, Lieut.	00 17 03

On November the 12th the Council ordered Major Willard to send forthwith twelve troopers to Capt. Henchman.

Many of the soldiers were now withdrawn and placed in garrison, and all available were pressed and mustered for the Narraganset campaign. Capt. Henchman's men were many returned home with him.

Among the soldiers impressed in Boston for the Narragansett campaign, Dec. 3d, 1675, were the following from Capt. Henchman's local company: James Whipple, Samuel Jenkins, Walter



Cohone, James White, Thomas Jones, Thomas Stains, John Dereing, Robert Emory, Ralph Powel for Mr. James Lloyd, Francis Cooke for Mr. William Larrison. (Mass. Archives, vol. 68, 86.)

December 20	th 1675	Onesiphorus Tilston.	00 06 10
Joshua Silverwood.	01 18 06		00 16 02
John Sherman.	01 18 06	Samuel Burnall.	00 16 02
John Corbin.	00 16 02	John Spurr.	00 16 10
Henry Tite.	01 16 02	Lawrence White.	00 16 02
Simon Yates.	00 10 00	Thomas Cheyney.	00 16 02
Thomas Birch.	00 06 10	Thomas Bridentine.	00 16 02
John Pierpont.	$00 \ 16 \ 02$	Robert Woodward.	$01 \ 02 \ 03$
John Necks.	$01 \ 14 \ 02$	February 29,	1675-6
John Griggs.	00 11 02	Joseph Bodman.	00 08 09
Thomas Lawrence.	00 07 06	William Lyon.	
Joshua Atherton.	00 07 06	John Parker.	00 16 02
William Briggs.	00 06 10	March 24,	1676
Nicholas Gray.	$00 \ 16 \ 02$	William Elliot.	00 16 02
Isaac Hubbard.	$00 \ 16 \ 02$	Joseph Clark.	00 09 04
James Draper.	00 16 02	April 24, 1	676
January 25 1675.	(N.S. 1676.)	Hugh Clark.	00 07 00
William Goswell.	00 16 02	Thomas North.	$01 \ 13 \ 04$

Among the soldiers in the above lists were probably the twelve troopers sent out by order of the Council on November 12, 1675, and those who did not return to Boston until the later dates. It was the custom, I find, to punish the men by fines, and sometimes their pay would be withheld for several months, until on petition to the Council it would be paid, if the officer who complained of their misconduct would recommend leniency and sign their "debenture" or bill for service rendered. On the minutes of the Council, of which a few fragments are preserved in the Mass. Archives, I find several instances of this kind; one in the case of Magnus White, whose name occurs later, and one in a quaint letter from one Jonathan Adderton (Atherton), which declares that Capt. Henchman wrongfully accused him of "profanation of ye Sabbath," when his only offence was the cutting up of an old hat and putting the pieces in his shoes to relieve his galled foot, &c. Many of the above will be recognized as of Roxbury and Dorchester.

On December 12, the Commissioners of the United Colonies voted to strengthen the garrisons with such of the soldiers as were able and willing to remain for that service during the

winter, and to dismiss others to their homes.

Jan. 11. "It was ordered by the Council that the Garrison Souldjers at Chelmsford, Billerica, Groaten, Lancaster, Marlborough, and Sudbury, under Major Willard, be discharged forthwith, and sent home;" and at the same time it was voted to



pay them "two months' pay on their returne." This may have been done at the request of the people in the above-named towns, because we know that in many cases these garrison soldiers became very obnoxious to the citizens, as will be seen when we come to the lists at the garrisons, hereafter. I presume this service of withdrawal and settlement of soldiers was under the special charge of Capt. Henchman, who then, I think, retired from active service until the 27th of the next April.

In the latter part of May, 1676, the forces under Capt. Henchman were called together again. These had been impressed by order of the Council, April 27, and released to do their planting until such time as wanted. They were mustered at Concord, at this time, an important military post, whence he writes on June 2d, that "Tom Doublet went away soon after Mr. Clark, and with him Jon. Prescott, Daniel Champney & Josiah White, carrying the pay for Goodman Moss, and 3 gallons of Rum." They marched out towards Brookfield to join the Connecticut forces on the 27th, but on information received from this same Tom Doublet (an Indian), turned aside and had a fight with the Indians at Washakom Ponds; and this affair detained them so that they did not reach Hadley until the 14th, when they joined the Connecticut forces in the campaign on the Connecticut River.

Capt. Henchman marched down towards Boston from Hadley the last of June, and his letter, written on the way, describes the homeward march.

Capt. Henchman's Letter of June 30th, 1676.

Our scouts brought intelligence that all the Indians were in a continual motion, some toward Narhaganset, others towards Watchuset. shifting gradually, and taking up each others quarters, and lay not above a night in a place. They brought in two Squaws, a Boy and a Girl, giving account of five slain. Yesterday, they brought in an old Fellow, Brother to a Sachem, six Squaws and Children, having killed five men, and wounded others, if not killed them, as they supposed by the Blood found in the Way, and a Hat shot through. These and the other inform, that Philip and the Narhagansets were gone several Days before to their own Places. Philip's purpose being to do what Mischief he could to the English. By advice I drew a commanded party under the conduct of Capt. Sill, viz. Sixteen files of English, all my Troop, and the Indians, excepting one File, being all we could make provision for; for what with the falling short of the Bread promised us, and a great deal of what we had proving mouldy, the Rest of the Forces had but one Bisket a Man, to bring them to this Place. This Party were ordered towards Watchuset, and so to Nashaway and Washakom Ponds, where we have notice Indians were and so to return to this Place. Where by your Honour's Letter that came to me Yesterday Morning, I understood that Provision was ordered for us; and which we found to our great Relief last Night, coming hither, Weary and Hungry. The commanded Party we left at Quonsigumon, where they intended to stay a while for the last Scouts we sent out: eleven



Prisoners we had in all; two of the oldest, by Counsel we put to Death, the other Nine the Commissary is ordered to convey to Boston, with Baggage, Horses and some of their Attendants for the Service.

DANIEL HENCHMAN.

On June 24 there seems to have been a general settlement with all soldiers for service up to this summer campaign. Some were paid in cash by the treasurer, but mostly they were paid in part by the towns where they lived. The following lists probably contain most of the names of those who marched out and served in this campaign, with Capt. Henchman:

June 24, 1676.			William Healy.	02	11	06	
Magnus White.		09	00	SimonGroves (als. Grow	7)03	12	10
Joseph Lyon.	04	11	08	John Polly.	01	11	08
July 24, 1676.			John Kendall.	00	17	00	
John Chub.		00	00	Ephraim Regimant.	03	17	11
Daniel Hawes.	01	06	06	Benjamin Rice.	03	17	11
Hugh Taylor.	05	00	00	September 23 ^d 1	676.		
Joseph Procter.	00	17	00	Joshuah Sawyer.	03	07	00
August 24th 16	76			James Sawyer.	03	01	05
John Moore.	01	14	00	Jacob Willar.	12	05	08
Thomas Wheeler.	00	08	04	John Winter.	01	02	10
Richard Scott. Cornett	08	17	00	John Tolman.	00	07	00
George Stedman.	01	16	08	James Cutler.	01	04	03
Jonathan Atherton.	04	00	00	Nathaniel Adams.	01	02	06
Jacob Hill.	04	17	00	James White.	00	15	08
James Cheevers.	02	11	00	Joseph Browne.	01	10	00
John Oyne.	02	11	00	John Browne.	03	05	08
William Keene.	04	18	06	Samuel Edmons.	02	11	05
James Franklin.	04	18	06	John Greenland.	02	02	08
Joseph Richeson.	03	01	08	John Pinder.	05	00	00
Justinian Holding.	02	11	00	John Redman.	02	14	00
Denis Sihy.	02	18	09	Abraham Wilkinson.	01	10	10
Thomas North.	04	02	10	James Bayly.	02	11	03
Thomas Robinson.	05	12	00	Daniel Ruff.	04	17	00
Robert Emes.	05	01	05	John Gibson.	03	11	00
Richard Browne.	03	03	04	Richard Wood.	02	17	00
Francis Woolfe.	01.	15	08	Josiah White.	02	04	03
Joseph Garfield.	01	10	00	John Adams.	03	15	06
Jonn Floyd, Lieut.	12	17	02	Joseph Bucknam.	0.0	14	03
Jonathan Sprague.	04	01	05	John Stedman.	03	17	02
Benjamin Muzzye.	0.2	11	05	James Miller.	05	02	96
Thomas Adams	04	17	00	Jonathan Hill.	02	11	05
Francis Cooke. 2 items	04		02	James Patterson.	02	11	05
John Stone.	01	10	10	Thomas How.		11	05
Patrick Morren.	06	08	06	Richard Scott.	00	08	00

The Indians who served our side were not regularly credited, and so, with few exceptions, their "debentures" are not found. Their names and service will form a separate article.

Pocasset Swamp, where Fort Leverett was built, lies in the present town of Tiverton, R.I.



CAPT. SAMUEL MOSELY AND HIS COMPANY.

MANY will be interested to know something in the beginning, of the remarkable character whose name stands at the head of this company.

The family name was Maudesley, of Lancashire, England. In the fall of 1635 Henry Maudesley came from England to Massa-

chusetts in the ship Hopewell, Capt. Babb, master.

Henry Maudesley was granted "about a quarter-acre of land" in Dorchester "neere Goodman Munninge's," but lived at Braintree, and had children born there — Mary, Sept. 29, 1638, and Samuel, June 14, 1641. He had 12 acres of land at Mt. Wollaston granted him "for three heads," February 24, 1639–40, was of Artillery Co. 1643, and freeman in 1646. In 1652 he lived in Boston, and had the lot on the corner of the present Union and Hanover Streets.

The name Maudesley appears in some of the earliest records as Modsley, Mosley, Mosley, Mosseley; finally settling down to Mosely. Samuel's signature, in every case known to me, is Mosley, while Addington, Rawson, and other colonial officials

give it Mosely. I have adopted this last form.

Samuel Mosely married Ann Addington (born March 10, 1647, daughter of the first Isaac and sister of the Hon. Isaac). They were married previous to May 30, 1665, for on that date Samuel Mosely and his wife Ann sign a deed to John Conney, conveying a piece of land in "Windmill Field," which land Ann inherited from her father, who had died in 1653. Samuel is designated cooper, Conney also was a cooper; and I judge from an old receipt for a bill of cooperage, signed by Conney and Mosely together, that they were in company in that business in 1673.

In 1668 he was one of the commissioners sent by the Court to treat with the sachems of the Narragansets, in company with Richard Wayt and Capt. Wright, and in the record is called

" Captain."

The author of "The Present State of New England," etc., says: "This Capt. Mosely hath been an old Privateer at Jamaica, an excellent soldier, and an undaunted spirit, one whose memory will be honorable in New England for his many eminent services



he hath done the Public." This may have been the authority upon which Mr. Savage bases his statement that Mosely "visited Jamaica in the way of trade, and the adventurous spirit was excited and schooled, perhaps by Sir Henry Morgan and his associate Buccaneers; the result of which was his bringing home to Boston two prizes taken from some unmentioned enemy." From these hints and various other circumstances I am satisfied that he was in command of some ship previous to 1668. I notice that Isaac Addington, father of Mosely's wife, was commander of the ship "Ann and Joane" in 1652.

I have found, after a long search, the following old account of Treasurer Russell's estate, presented by James Russell, Executor,

October 20, 1676.

The Country is Debtor to

the huire of ye Katch Salsbury, Samuel Mosely Commd' from March 16, 1673 to Aprill 27, 1674 at 24£ pr moneth £33 12s.

Pd for wages to the Salsbury's M' & 47 men . 76 01

Pd Capt Mosely for disbursem¹⁸ on the Salsbury . 23 10 Pd Capt Mosely for Water bucketts for y^e Katch Swallow 00 19

These two "Katches," with the ship "Anthony," were fitted out and sent forth by the colony to protect our commerce, and in

this time were engaged in cruising about Nantucket and vicinity. He must have had notable experience from the facts of the affair of the "two prizes," mentioned above, which from various materials collected from the court files and archives, I am now able to explain. This matter was fully set forth in an excellent article published by the late C. W. Tuttle, Esq. For several years previous to 1675, Boston merchants had been greatly troubled by "Dutch Pirates," as they were called. The merchants had several times petitioned the Court for a "commission of Order and Reprisal," which that cautious body had steadily refused. Several times the merchants had armed their vessels and taken the matter of "Reprisal" into their own hands, as in the matter of the Dutch ship "Expectation;" and upon complaint made by the Dutch authorities, these merchants were called to account by the Boston Court. At last, in December, 1674, several small English vessels were captured at the Eastward by the Dutch, joined with some English renegades from the Massachusetts Colony. The place of the capture was "near Mt. Desart Islles." One of these vessels belonged to John Freake of Boston, the others to Waldron of Dover and Shapley of Kittery. Upon the report of these depredations and the petition of the merchants, a Commission of Reprisal was granted by the Court, February 15, 1674-5, an expedition was immediately fitted out, and by the request of the merchants Capt. Samuel Mosely was put in command. Sailing out, his ship fell in with a French



vessel which he impressed into his service, and soon met the They had three vessels, the "Edward & Thomas," principal ship, of which the commander of the pirates, Peter Roderigo, was captain. The second was called, in the appraisal, the "Penobscot Shallopp that Roads went out in," and was commanded by Cornelius Anderson. The third was the vessel captured from Mr. Freake, "The Shallopp called Philipp," and now in charge of Peter Grant and its proper skipper, George Manning, who had been wounded in its capture, and was about to be turned adrift in his boat by the pirates, when in consideration of his promise of good behavior he was reinstated and allowed to sail his own craft in convoy of the others under Dutch colors; and now, when Capt. Mosely came to the attack, Manning at once turns his arms upon his captors and assists in their capture; and in their defence before the Court the pirates complain bitterly of the usage of Capt. Mosely in fighting them under the three colors, English, French and Dutch all at once, and the treachery of Manning. The pirates were captured, and were brought into Boston April 2, 1675, Mr. Freake's vessel restored to him, and the others confiscated by the Court for expenses, etc. The pirates were imprisoned to await trial in May, 1675. The prisoners were Peter Roderigo, commander; Cornelius Anderson, consort; John Rhodes, Thomas Mitchell. Randall Judson, Edward Yourings, Richard Fowler, Peter Grant, John Williams, John Thomas (Tomas or Tombs). A few words more will explain who these men were.

In October, 1674, Capt. Jurian Aronson (Arnouson), commander of the Dutch Privateer "Flying-Post-Horse, of Currassow," returning from the destruction of two French forts and settlements at the Eastward, viz., "Penabskop" (Penobscott) and St. John, came to Boston and asked of the Governor permission to enter the harbor to "repaire," etc. When he sailed away he left a part of his crew, viz.: "Peter Rodrigo, 'Flanderkin': Cornelius Anderson, Dutchman," three Englishmen who had belonged at Boston, John Rhoades, Randall Judson, Peter Grant; Richard Fowler, who belonged at Muscongus; and a "Cornishman" named John Williams, who had been taken prisoner by the Dutch and carried to "Currisaw," and came hither with Capt. Arnouson. Rhodes, "principal," Fowler, Grant and Judson, hired Thomas Mitchell of Malden, and a vessel of which he was part owner, for a "trading voyage to the Eastward;" and also another, the Shallop. It would seem that the vessels went in at Casco, and the crew captured some sheep at "Mountjoys Island" (now Peak's), belonging to Mr. Mountjoy. (Fowler testified that Mitchell approved this action, but he denied it, though confessing that he "ate of the mutton."

Rodrigo commanded the "Edward and Thomas," and Anderson the "Penobscott Shallopp," Rodrigo had some sort of commis-



sion from Arnouson (which one of them testified was "written at the 'Beare' and had three seals on it"). Anderson had a copy of this without seals. Mitchell testified that he opposed their acts of piracy. Edward Youring testified that he went out with Mitchell and had no part in piracy, and both these were discharged under bonds for appearance. John Tomas was a boatswain who had come to Boston formerly in the ship "William and Jane," and was with Anderson, and was accused of shooting a Frenchman, but denied, though admitting that he "shot at him." Tomas and Williams were taken in Anderson's vessel. Manning's crew consisted of James De Beck (who was a principal witness against the pirates, and tells a pitiful story of their abuse), a Frenchman and a boy.

Roderigo (often written Odrigoe), as will appear hereafter, served a long time under Capt. Scottow at Black Point and at the eastward. Anderson was the famous "Cornelius the Dutch-

man."

Great excitement prevailed in the colony during this trial. The Dutchmen made an able defence, producing their commission under William, Prince of Orange (but which was found to be from their former skipper Arnouson), and alleging the infringement of the law of nations by our vessels in trading with the French at the eastward, with whom the Dutch were at war.

There is evidence in the trial, as in the subsequent action of the Court, of much popular sympathy for the Dutch prisoners, while the most bitter hostility was expressed against the English renegades. Five were convicted of piracy and condemned to death; but under the stress of the opening war execution was deferred. Anderson was acquitted. Upon his petition, Rodrigo was soon pardoned and released, and served faithfully against the Indians. Fowler was pardoned in October. The sentence of the others, Rhodes, Grant and Judson, after several months' imprisonment, was commuted to banishment out of the country on condition of giving security for prison charges and transportation.

It will be easy to see that Capt. Mosely, the hero of the successful enterprise, would naturally become at once the most notable man in the colony, and when in the midst of his success the Indian war broke out, he would be looked to at once as a popular leader. But he held no military office, and not even his success and popularity, and close family relation to Gov. Leverett, could prevail to break the strict rule of official succession in the colonial militia; so that the only course left him was, perhaps, that which suited him best, the organization of an independent company of Volunteers. "Within three hours," says the old historian, "there were enlisted 110 volunteers." Among these were many of his old "privateers," i.e. those who had served with him in his expedition, and several of the released pirates.



From a close comparison of these following lists with the Boston tax-lists for 1674, and from other sources, I find that many of his soldiers were apprentices or servants, and probably many boys not yet enrolled in the militia, and therefore not subject to impressment. Several of the names would seem to indicate a sprinkling of Frenchmen, and a contemporary writer relates that the ten or twelve privateers had several dogs with them which rendered valuable service in "finding out the enemy in their swamps." By reason of the loss of the first thirteen pages of the Journal, the names previous to August 21 have to be gathered from the Ledger, and therefore I had to make a close study of many of the names, but have no doubt of any set down below, with the possible exception of Eph^m Regeman and Moses Knap, and with these I deem the evidence sufficient to justify me in putting them in under Mosely.

It will be noticed that only seventy-five men are credited below for services in this campaign. There is no doubt that more went with him, and we can readily see that many of the transient adventurers, especially if sailors, would be gone before the Court got ready to pay them off regularly. On August 4th Capt. Mosely was paid £50 by the Court "for his souldiers," and November 20th £50 more; while up to December 10 he had only accounted to the treasurer by receipts from his men for £27, but in the meantime had made no charge for his own military service. and I judge that he may have paid off many who followed him in this brief service at Mount Hope, as their occasion demanded or his convenience suited, without any formal "Debenter" or bill. Thus Cornelius Anderson is not mentioned at all, and doubtless many others were settled with by Capt. Mosely, and no account rendered. There is no indication that he misappropriated the colony's funds, but was probably free-handed with his soldiers and careless in his accounts, and when Capt. Gookin and others complained of his high-handed cruelty towards the Indians, there was no hint of any indirection in regard to his conduct in money matters. I doubt that he had one hundred and ten men, as stated in the "Old Indian Chronicle," but think there may have been many more than are here set down. From some indications I am led to think that many of his men did not return with him to Boston, but joined the Plymouth forces and remained in the service there.

Names of those who were credited with military Service under Capt Mosely in June & July 1675 at M^{r} Hope.

August 9.	1675						
	£	s.	d.		£	S.	d.
Robert Webb.	01	07	06	Robert Miles.	01	07	06
John Bordecot.	01	07	06	Thomas Austin.	01	07	06
William Perry.	01	07	06	Moses Knap.	02	00	00



	£	s.	đ.		£	s.	d.
John Wilson.	01	07	06	September 3 ^d			
Robert Street.	01	07	06	Joshua Winslow, Lieut.		06	06
Thomas Tidy.	01	07	06	Cusbe Ebitt.		01	00
August 14				Edward Reade.	01	07	06
William Pollard.	01	-03	00	Thomas Woodmott.	01	07	90
Joseph Pollard.	01	07	06	Roger Kenicott.	01	12	00
John Hands.	01	07	06	September 14 ^t	h		
William Harvey.	01	07	06	Roger Jones.	01	07	06
Samuel Gold.	01	02	06	Rowland Soley.	01	04	00
Joseph Souther.	01	07	06	William Smallidg.	01	04	()()
Alexander Forbs.	01	02	06	John Pemberton.	01	01	00
William Green.	01	01	06	Robert Kenicott.	02	05	00
Joseph Plaisted.	01	01	06	Josiah Hilman.	04	08	08
August 20th				John Tombs.	03	06	00
Ephraim Regiman.	02	07	00	John Steevens.	03	00	00
John Coke.	02	04	06	John Size.	01	12	00
Jonathan Nichols.	01	07	06	September 21 ^s	t		
Richard Nevill.	01	19	06	Depon Frenchman.		00	06
Benjamin Phillips.	02	02	0.0	George Burbeck	01	00	06
John Brandon.	01	07	06	William Brookes	02	0.5	()()
Joseph Sexton.	01	07	06	William Smith	02	15	06
Timothy Horton.	01	07	06	William Pasmore.	01	07	04
James Lendall.	01	07	06	September 28 th			
Samuei Lane.	01	07	06	John Cross.		04	00
August 21.				George Cray.	01	01	06
Plandian Decro.	01	07	06	Sept 30 th			
Jacob Allin, Ensigne.	01	16	00	Jacob Bullard.	02	03	09
Thomas James, Sergt.	01	08		Oet 19 th			
Aaron Stephens.	02	04	06	Timothy Horton	02	00	00
John Holman.	00	18	06	John Cross.	01	10	00
Samuel Peacock.	00	18	00	Rich ^d Barnam, Corp ¹	05	12	0.0
John Drury.		10		October 26th 16	15		
Thomas Gross.	05	07	00	Richard Eyres	01	04	00
August 27th				Robert Woodward	01	00	00
Robert Foster.	02	04		Derman Morris.	02	17	04
William Dean.	01	11		Robert Dawes	04	18	06
Manoah Bodman.		12		Isaac Sheffeild.	03	03	01
Francis Burges.		07		Daniel Matthewes.		00	
William Jones.	01		06	John Baker	-	14	
Thomas Clark.		07		Samuel Browne		18	
Phillip Sandy.	01	07	06	Samuel Messey	01	07	06

In old Boston Tax-lists, 1674, the names Austin, Hands, Horton, Decro and Woodmott appear as Alliston, Hams, Hortman, Splandy deero, Woodnet. A petition of John Stevens (Archives, vol. 67) states that he was "shot in the arm" in this service.

In the Archives, vol. 68, page 198, there is a petition from Samuel Holman saying that his servant Edward Sampson went out to Mt. Hope under Captain Mosely, and complains that



"instruments of chirurgery of his have been prest for the use of Moseley's chirurgeon, and afterwards a whole box of the same for Doctor Wells when he went to Narragansett, which are now delivered to Dr. Gerrish." Then himself prest to go out under Capt. Wadsworth, had to send his said servant, costing him £14,

and then his servant was put under Capt. Turner.

I find that several of the names are credited with service under other captains. Thus, John Cross has credit under Henchman, September 14, George Burkback (Burbeck, Berbeck), September 3 and October 19, under Lieut. Brattle. Brooks under Prentice, August 27. Several are credited as "guards," and may have been in service as scouts and guides, and so credited under the captains with whom each service was rendered. With these exceptions I think the above, together with some others whose names are now lost, undoubtedly made up the motley company of "Volunteers" with which Capt. Mosely marched out of Boston, probably early in the morning of June 27th, and overtook the troops of Henchman and Prentice, waiting for them at "Woodcock's," in the afternoon; and then all marched on and arrived at Swanzy, and quartered at Mr. Miles's Garrison-House close to the bridge leading to Mount Hope. Gen. Cudworth of the Plymouth forces was commander-in-chief. The reports of the events immediately following their arrival are somewhat conflicting. Some account of the general movement of the troops has been given in the former chapter. If any one reads only the "Old Indian Chronicle" aforesaid, it will seem as if Capt. Mosely was the only officer engaged, and that his men did all the fighting; but the accounts therein were the first undigested rumors that came back from the army, and are not confirmed by Hubbard, or Church, or Mather. The action of the troopers on the afternoon of the 28th belongs to the next chapter. on Capt. Prentice. The repulse they received greatly elated the Indians, who appeared next morning shouting their defiant challenge to ours to come across the bridge and fight them. the several accounts, the following is probably near the truth: Capt. Mosely with his volunteers charged across the bridge and pursued the Indians to the woods. The regular troops followed and formed in line to sweep the neck by marching with both wings of the line extended. This, Church says, was so clumsily performed that the two wings encountered and fired upon each other, and Perez Savage, Capt. Henchman's ensign, was wounded. Philip fled before our troops, and with his people escaped across the Mattapoisett River to Pocasset. The volunteers took a prominent part in the scouting movements of the next few days, then marched, July 5th, with the Massachusetts forces, to the Narragansett country, and returned back with them on July 15th to Rehoboth, and when on the 18th it was decided to withdraw all the Massachusetts troops except Capt. Henchman's, they



returned to Boston and were disbanded, probably about July 20th.

No further credits appear under Capt. Mosely until December 10, yet during all the time from his return from Mt. Hope he had been in almost constant service, which it may be well for us to follow, as it is probable that most of his men credited on that date had served with him to the time. On August 7, with 60 dragoons he met Capt. Henchman's tired troops marching towards Mendon, having been sent to them with supplies. (Capt. Thomas's letter in Mather's Brief History says, "We met Capt. Mosely marching from Providence up after us.") When Capt. Henchman went next day to Boston for orders, Mosely was left in command at Mendon, and most of Henchman's men were left with him. Within a few days he was ordered to march to Quaboag (Brookfield), where he continued awhile scouting, etc. In a note endorsing a bill of William Locke, chirurgeon of the Massachusetts forces in the Mount Hope campaign, Mosely says that after Capt. Henchman went to Boston, "he took st Locke into his company, and from Mendon marched to Malbury and thence to Quaboag." Capt. Lathrop being senior officer, withdrew Locke to his forces; and I find a Court Order (vol. 67, Archives) to Dr. William Hawkins, August 17, 1675, "to join Mosely at Malbrow."

On August 16th he wrote a letter to the Governor, which

explains his movements, situation, etc.

ffrom Nashowah Allies Lankestor 16th August 1675.

Honored Sir

Yesterday I spayred Capt. Beeres 26 our men to march with him to Sprinkefeild & it was with Major Willard ordder and I have also Accordinge to my orders from Major General Denison Sentt to Dunstable fort to Inlearge there gard 18 men & to Groatton 12 men & to Chelmsford 12 men out of those yt ware under Capt Hinksmans & of those vt Caime with me: Also last nightt about Seaven A clocke we martched into Nashowah wheare we are Att present butt shall as soon as the Constable haith prest us a dozen Horses proseed for Groatton & so to Chensford: according to the order Major Willard gave me yesterday Att Quoah-bawge; The day before I came from Quoahbaugh - I martched I(n) company with Capt Beeres & Capt Laytrop to the Swap where they left mee & tooke theire martch to Sprinkfilld and a soone as they ware gon I tooke my martch Into the woods about 8 mills beyond the Swape where Capt Huttcheinson and the rest ware yt ware wounded & killed & so returned to follow the enemy as above saide; also we did find A prsell of wigwoms beyond the Swaimp about 20 which we burnt &c. our Majr having a Seartayne Intelligence of a considerable party of Indians v have gathered toogather a littell above Chensford which I hope wee shalbe up with this night or to Morrough at furthest & if it pleese God I come up with them God assisting me I will cloosely ingadge with them & God spearing my



life I shall as oppertunity gives leave Acquaint your hoūnor of my Actions; I have with me butt 60 men at present; so desiring your prosperity & y' it may please God to preserve your Honour in good health and humbly beseach your prayers to God for my Good Suckses in this my undertaking with My Humbell Searvis &c in all deuttyfullness I subscribe myself your Respective kinsman & Humble Searvantt

SAMUELL MOSLEY

my Cosson Leverett ppresents his Deuty to yo' Honour & my Antt.

Between Aug. 9th and 16th he had marched from Mendon to Brookfield, where he distributed his men as above. On the 17th he probably marched towards Chelmsford as proposed, but on the 22d some of the Nipmuck Indians fell upon Lancaster and killed seven or nine inhabitants, and the next day the people sent for Capt. Moselv and told him of their suspicions of the Hassanemesit Indians (friendly or Praying Indians) then living under supervision in a sort of fort at Marlborough. Capt. Mosely hastily marched to the fort and seized eleven (or according to Major Gookin's account fifteen) of the Indians, "pinioned" them and bound them neck to neck and sent them down to Boston for trial. Of the fifteen only eleven were accused; all were finally found innocent & acquitted, and Capt. Mosely's proceeding severely criticised by the Court and his superior officers. Maj' Gookin believed that the people instigated suspicions "in order to secure the land of the Indians." After sending these prisoners down on August 30th, Capt. Mosely marched up the Merrimac as far as Pennacook (Concord, N.H.) to the home of the peaceful Wannalancet, where he was prepared to repeat the late transaction; but the Pennacooks had quietly withdrawn and eluded him. He burnt their village and stores of food, and marched back. Capt. Mosely's course was not approved, and the Court immediately sent messengers to win back the friendship of Wannalancet.

The next we hear of Capt. Mosely is on September 14, when he marched into Hadley with sixty Bay soldiers, and thence to Deerfield, where he was quartered and scouting on the 18th, when hearing the guns of the attack on Capt. Lathrop at Bloody Brook, he hurried with seventy men to join the fight, and though too late to prevent the terrible disaster, he and his men attacked the great body and "charged them through and through" several times, chasing them seven miles or more. Lieutenants Savage and Pickering especially distinguished themselves for their daring. Finally, after long and severe fighting, but strangely enough, with a loss of only two killed and eight or nine wounded, they were being forced slowly backward by great numbers, when Major Treat with a force of Connecticut troops and Indians came up and joined them, and

before these united forces Philip retreated in haste.



In regard to the killed and wounded I have the names. John Oates, and Peter Barron. The will of the latter shows that he was the servant of Elias Hendly of Marblehead, and was pressed to go against the Indians. Will was probated Nov. 26, 1675. A petition of Richard Russ, in the Mass. Archives, declares, "I was just out in the Country's Service under Capt. Mosely, when Capta Lawtrop was slayne, and in that fight received a shott in ye bottom of my belly, the bullet carryin in with it ye ring of my Bandoleer."

The English retired to Deerfield for the night, and next morning returned to the battlefield and buried their dead.

It was thought best to abandon the garrison at Deerfield, and so all removed to Hatfield, and Capt. Mosely was garrisoning that town on October 5th, when he writes the Governor. Major Pynchon, with Capts. Appleton and Sill, were on the opposite side of the river at Hadley.

This letter is in another hand, but dictated and signed by

Mosely.

Hadfield ye 5. of 8ber 1675

Honoured Sir.

Your kind letter I have received bearing date ye 30th of ye last months for which I render you many thanks and takes it very kindly, I confes. y' I have written some things to that purpose as Concerning the hangeing of those Indians of Malbery, I desire to be Excuse if my tongue or pen has out run my witt being in a passion and seeing what mischief had beene done by the Indians which I have beene eye witness to, would make a wiser person than I am, willing to have revenge of aney of them, but notwithstanding what I have written there as to that purpose it is fare from my heart to Doe, for I am willing to undertake anev commands Imposed upon me to serve the country as farr as my life, wee discover severall Indians about all these tounes, which causes Allarm, and wee have mett ne'er of theire myne body as yett Butt wee Doe Dayly Expect them wee never sended aney skoutes but weould mett them onely last night they could not discover them although they have been about Hadly mill which is the other side of a great River Contrary to my quartes, Springfield Indians is thought of Certain to bee ready att any times when the enemy comes to appose ye toune to fall upon the English along with Enemye, my service pray presented to your Lady and not forgetting yourselfe and all the familye wishing you and all of them much prosperity, health & happiness being all att present from S' your Most Humble & Ready Servant and loving Cousin SAMUEL MOSLEY.

[P. S.]

Last night we received some news from Springfield which gives us an acct. y Phillip with 500 men Laid in Springfield forte & resolved to fall upon the toune this day, and to prevent his designe Major Pinchon is gone with Capt Apleton and Capt Sill, with a company of 190 Soulders, two Quiniticate companeys leaft att Hadly to gard that toune I and my company heare wheare I doe expect them every houre and att nightt as well as in day for they have faired upon y Sentinell at night.



The blow fell as threatened, and Major Pynchon and troops came only to find the town in flames, and the Indians fled. Major Pynchon, stricken sorely by this heavy loss of his beloved town, begged earnestly to be relieved from the chief command, and the Court reluctantly and very tenderly granted his request, appointing Capt. Appleton major in his stead. The Indians retired to Coasset, about fifty miles above Hadley, and on the 12th Major A. marched from Springfield and quartered his troops at that place. The next few days we spent in scouting and searching out the enemy, and on the 16th Capt. Mosely writes the following letter to the Governor. The postscript is written in his hand on the margin of the letter. It seems to us too horrible to be conceived of as the act of Christians. The captive was the squaw taken at Springfield. Nothing further is known of the affair. Some special act of outrage or treachery on her part may have drawn upon her this fearful sentence.

Hatfield, 16th October 1675

I have skarse aney strang news to acquaint y' Honn' withall at present yesterday wee thought to go in pursuit of y' Enemies at Hadly side of the river and as wee marched out from Hadly Some Theinge better than a mile, the Skoutes y' was send from this towne Did Speye some Indians and thereupon we came this side of the river and did march out last night y' whole body or strenght of men that we have heare; but at Last we took it to Consideration that it was very Dangerous to leave the townes impteye without any Souldiers. This day being a very blusterous and very high winds, I have sent out some skoutes and they discover some Indians, some three miles off. And last night I have send of my men 4 to Deerfield and some two miles from the towne wheare thare was some railes ye enemy have weaged them up and made them very fast. I know not whether it be to trapann the skoutes or else to faight there if we go in pursueth of them; but I intend to bourn all their rails up, please God to grant me life and health.

Wee are told by an Indian that was taken at Springfeeld y^t they intended to set upon these 3 townes in one Day. The body of them y^t waites this exploite to do is about 600 Indians, as wee are informed by the aforesaid Indian; and farther wee are informed that they are making a fort some 60 miles from this Place up in the woods, Pray sir be pleased to present my humble service to your lady and all the rest

of the family.

I make no question but the enemys will make an tempt within a short space of Time upon those Tounes, having nothing else skarse worth your reading I remaine

Sir y' most Humble &

Ready Servant, whilst [?]

SAMUEL MOSLEY.

"This aforesaid Indian was ordered to be torn in peeces by Doggs and she was soe dealt with all."



On the 19th, the Indians in great force fell upon the town, but were soon "beaten off without doing much harm." Just before the fight seven of Mosely's men and three others were sent out to scout, and seven of the number were cut off and killed. The Indians made no further general attack after this repulse, and withdrew to winter quarters. Capt. Moselv's forces, however, still remained in the western towns with other troops, under Major Appleton, until as late as November 20th; for, on the 16th, the Court authorized a letter to Appleton directing the withdrawal of the main force, and urging especially the dismissal of the troops of Capt. Mosely. The United Colonies were now in full preparation for the grand movement against the Narragansets; and the "Privateers" with their dashing leaders were The western and outlying towns were garrisoned as needed. securely as might be, and all available "veterans" hurried in to swell the army of the three colonies to 1000 men, for this special service to Narraganset. Much of great interest in the organiza-

tion of this army must be passed over here.

The quota of Massachusetts was to be 527 men, Plymouth 158, and Connecticut 325. Rhode Island was not "counted in." for reasons best known to our dear old Puritan fathers. Josiah Winslow, Esq., Governor of Plymouth Colony, was made Commanderin-chief of the army, and under him Major Samuel Appleton commanded the Massachusetts forces, consisting of six companies, viz.: Maj. Appleton's own, Capt. Mosely's, Capt. Joseph Gardner's, Capt. Nathaniel Davenport's, Capt. James Oliver's, and a troop under Capt. Thomas Prentice. Major Robert Treat commanded the Connecticut forces, five companies under Capts. Siely, Gallop, Mason, Wats; and Major William Bradford two Plymouth companies, his own and Capt. John Gorham's. The Massachusetts forces mustered on Dedham Plain, where, on Dec. 9, Gen. Winslow assumed command. There were then "465 fighting men," besides Capt. Prentice's troop. It seems, from the Journal, that no settlement had been made with Mosely's and Appleton's troops for the campaign in the west, and on December 10th, twenty-seven pages of the book are entirely devoted to their accounts, and few, if any, other items are given under that date save such as relate to them. The captains had paid out small sums at different times, and the towns of "Hadly." "Malbrow." "Mendam," "Lining" (Lynn), and many constables, merchants and others, are credited by cash, clothing, etc., to these troops: and on that date Treasurer Hull pays them the balance of their accounts. Among the few precious lists of names preserved in the Massachusetts Archives is the "Muster Roll of Capt. Mosely's company, taken at Dedham the 9 of Xber, 1675." I have arranged this list and the credits of December 10-20 and January, alphabetically, and tested them carefully otherwise, and find that the greater part of his company were his "veterans." The following account may be of interest.



The town of Dunstable, per Constable Jona. Tyng, brings in a bill of about £100 for billeting Mosely's men, ammunition, etc.

Billeting													
	29	66	6.6	11th	Sept.	6.6	17th Jan	nuary	167	5-6	47	18	00
66	6	66	66	18	Jan'y	66	25 may	1676			25	03	00
66	3	44	66	3	may	66	14 July	6.6			08	08	00
25 lbs Po	wde	er and	1250	bull	ets, &c.						01	15	00
2 horses	3 da	avs to	Pen	naco	ok .						00	01	06

An Auditing Committee questioned the bill, but he was paid \$20 on account, October 11, 1676. (Archives, vol. 68.)

Credited with Military Service under Capt Mosely. December 10th 1675

	D	ecei	mber	10 1019			
John Rice.	04	16	00	Thomas Warren.	06	11	02
William Blake.1	04	16	00	John Ramsey.	04	19	04
Jonathan Freeman.	04	16	00	John Stebins.	02	10	06
Samuel Guild.	04	16	00	Jonathan Wales.	04	19	04
John Buckman.	04	19	02	Timothy Wales.	04	19	04
Richard Brine.	04	19	02	Jeremiah Stokes.	02	14	00
John Cooper.	04	19	04	Joseph Twichell.	04	19	04
Thomas Bull.	04	19	04	Samuel Veale.	04	19	04
John Roberts.	04	19	04	Andrew Johnson.	04	19	04
Edward Weston.	05	16	00	Mathew Thomas.	05	02	00
Perez Savage, Lieut.	12	00	00	Francis Siddall.	04	19	04
John Ireson.	04	16	00	John Dunbar.	04	16	00
John Brandon.	02	14	00	Edward Weeden.	04	19	04
John Fuller, Corp!.	05	12	00	Samuel Kemble.	04	19	00
Benjamin Dyer.	04	19	04	Timothy Hortman.	02	16	04
James Johnson, Sergt.	04	11	00	John Corser.	04	19	02
Zachariah Crisp.	04	00	00	Daniel Magenis, Corpl.	05	10	0.0
Peter Lane	04	19	04	James Updike, Sergt.	04	09	04
John Turner.	04	16	00	Daniel Matthews.	07	09	0.0
Richard Rust.	04	16	00	Mathias Smith.	04	16	0.0
John Leech.	04	19	04	John Williston.	04	16	0.0
Jonathan Nichols.	03	10	02	John Sherman.	04	13	60
John Plympton.	04	16	00	William Phillips.	04	19	02
Tho Region.	04	12	06	James Frankling.	05	04	06
John Cross.	02	02	00	Bartholomew Flegge.	04	19	04
Thomas Green.	04	19	04	Benjamin Allen.	02	08	0.0
Thomas Harris.	05	02	00	John Cantelberry.	04	16	0.0
James Dickenden.	04	04	00	Hugh Collohue ²	04	19	04
Richard Scott.	06	10	00	Jacob Willar	13	11	0.0
William Bateman.	01	07	06	Valentine Harris.	02	14	
Richard Adams.	04	16	00	James Mathews.	01	18	06
	William Blake.¹ Jonathan Freeman. Samuel Guild. John Buckman. Richard Brine. John Cooper. Thomas Bull. John Roberts. Edward Weston. Perez Savage, Lieut. John Ireson. John Fuller, Corp¹. Benjamin Dyer. James Johnson, Sergt. Zachariah Crisp. Peter Lane John Turner. Richard Rust. John Plympton. Tho's Region. John Plympton. Tho's Region. John Cross. Thomas Green. Thomas Harris. James Dickenden. Richard Scott. William Bateman.	John Rice. 04 William Blake.¹ 04 Jonathan Freeman. 04 Samuel Guild. 04 John Buckman. 04 Richard Brine. 04 John Cooper. 04 Thomas Bull. 04 Edward Weston. 05 Perez Savage, Lieut. 12 John Ireson. 04 John Fuller, Corp¹. 05 Benjamin Dyer. 04 James Johnson, Sergt. 04 Zachariah Crisp. 04 Peter Lane 04 John Turner. 04 Richard Rust. 04 John Plympton. 04 John Plympton. 04 John Plympton. 04 Tho* Region. 04 John Cross. 02 Thomas Green. 04 Thomas Harris. 05 James Dickenden. 04 Thomas Harris. 05 James Dickenden. 06 William Bateman. 01	John Rice. 04 16 William Blake.1 04 16 Jonathan Freeman. 04 16 Samuel Guild. 04 16 John Buckman. 04 19 Richard Brine. 04 19 John Cooper. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 Edward Weston. 05 16 Perez Savage, Lieut. 12 00 John Ireson. 04 16 John Fuller, Corp!. 05 12 Benjamin Dyer. 04 19 James Johnson, Sergt. 04 11 Zachariah Crisp. 04 19 John Turner. 04 16 Richard Rust. 04 16 Richard Rust. 04 16 John Plympton. 04 16 Tho's Region. 04 12 John Plympton. 04 16 Tho's Region. 04 19 John Cross. 02 02 Thomas Green. 04 19 Thomas Harris. 05 02 James Dickenden. 04 03 James Dickenden. 04 04 Richard Scott. 06 10 William Bateman. 01 07	John Rice. 04 16 00 William Blake.¹ 04 16 00 Jonathan Freeman. 04 16 00 Jonathan Freeman. 04 16 00 John Buckman. 04 19 02 Richard Brine. 04 19 02 John Cooper. 04 19 04 John Roberts. 04 19 04 Edward Weston. 05 16 00 Perez Savage, Lieut. 12 00 00 John Ireson. 04 16 00 John Fuller, Corp¹. 05 12 00 Benjamin Dyer. 04 19 04 James Johnson, Sergt. 22 00 Renjamin Dyer. 04 10 00 Peter Lane 04 19 04 John Turner. 04 16 00 Peter Lane 04 19 04 John Turner. 04 16 00 Pohn Turner. 04 16 00 Pohn Turner. 04 16 00 Richard Rust. 04 16 00 Tho' Region. 04 16 00 Tho' Region. 04 12 06 John Cross. 02 02 00 Thomas Harris. 05 02 00 William Bateman. 01 07 06	William Blake.¹ 04 16 00 John Ramsey. Jonathan Freeman. 04 16 00 John Stebins. Samuel Guild. 04 16 00 John Stebins. John Buckman. 04 19 02 Timothy Wales. Richard Brine. 04 19 02 Jeremiah Stokes. John Cooper. 04 19 04 Joseph Twichell. Thomas Bull. 04 19 04 Andrew Johnson. Edward Weston. 05 16 00 Mathew Thomas. Francis Siddall. John Ireson. 04 16 00 John Dunbar. John Dunbar. John Fuller, Corp!. 05 12 00 Samuel Kemble. Benjamin Dyer. 04 19 04 John Corser. Zachariah Crisp. 04 10 00 Daniel Magenis, Corpl. Peter Lane 04 19 04 John Williston. John Plympton. 04 16 00 Mat	John Rice. 04 16 00 Thomas Warren. 06 William Blake.¹ 04 16 00 John Ramsey. 04 Jonathan Freeman. 04 16 00 John Stebins. 02 Samuel Guild. 04 16 00 Jonathan Wales. 04 John Buckman. 04 19 02 Timothy Wales. 04 Richard Brine. 04 19 04 Jeremiah Stokes. 02 John Cooper. 04 19 04 Joseph Twichell. 04 John Roberts. 04 19 04 John Crosel. 04 John Roberts. 04 19 04 James Johnson. 05 Jerez Savage, Lieut. 12 00 00 Francis Siddall. 04 John Fuller, Corpl. 05 12 00 Samuel Kemble. <td>John Rice. 04 16 00 Thomas Warren. 06 11 William Blake.¹ 04 16 00 John Ramsey. 04 19 Jonathan Freeman. 04 16 00 John Stebins. 02 10 Samuel Guild. 04 16 00 Jonathan Wales. 04 19 John Buckman. 04 19 02 Timothy Wales. 04 19 Richard Brine. 04 19 02 Jeremiah Stokes. 02 14 John Cooper. 04 19 04 Joseph Twichell. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 04 Samuel Veale. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 04 Samuel Veale. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 04 Andrew Johnson. 04 19 Edward Weston. 05 16 00 Mathew Thomas. 05 02 Perez Savage, Lieut. 12 00 00 Francis Siddall. 04 19 John Ireson. 04 16 00 John Dunbar. 04 16 John Fuller, Corp!. 05 12 00 Samuel Kemble. 04 19 James Johnson, Sergt. 04 11 00 John Corser. 04 19 James Johnson, Sergt.</td>	John Rice. 04 16 00 Thomas Warren. 06 11 William Blake.¹ 04 16 00 John Ramsey. 04 19 Jonathan Freeman. 04 16 00 John Stebins. 02 10 Samuel Guild. 04 16 00 Jonathan Wales. 04 19 John Buckman. 04 19 02 Timothy Wales. 04 19 Richard Brine. 04 19 02 Jeremiah Stokes. 02 14 John Cooper. 04 19 04 Joseph Twichell. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 04 Samuel Veale. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 04 Samuel Veale. 04 19 John Roberts. 04 19 04 Andrew Johnson. 04 19 Edward Weston. 05 16 00 Mathew Thomas. 05 02 Perez Savage, Lieut. 12 00 00 Francis Siddall. 04 19 John Ireson. 04 16 00 John Dunbar. 04 16 John Fuller, Corp!. 05 12 00 Samuel Kemble. 04 19 James Johnson, Sergt. 04 11 00 John Corser. 04 19 James Johnson, Sergt.

¹ Variations not noted above are, Blacke (Wⁿ Blake, jr. for whose release his father, Wⁿ Seur, petitions the Court), Brien, Wesson, Ayrson (for Ireson), Dayer, Leane, Russ, Leigh, Plimton, Dichetto, Stebence, Weals, Stokes, Cousier, McKennyes, Willingston, Cauter-

Particularly Sections, Sections, Sections, Sections, Serverings, Williamson, Caderberry, and other minor changes,

August, 1676. George Nowell petitions for the release of his servant "Hugh Galloway that went as a Volunteer under Mosely neere the beginning of ye warre, and is now in ye garrison at Hatfield under Capt. Sweane."



Daniel Johnson Trumpeter	09	12	00	Dennis Sihy.	07	02	09
Dec. 20th			j	Thomas Bull.	03	03	00
John Mayo.	04	17	00	Richard Randall.		15	
Thomas Ökleby	04	10	00	Richard Brian.		14	
John Casey	01	15	06	John Day.		14	
John Langbury	01	10	00	Edward Weston.		11	
Richard Jinkes	07	04	00	Richard Gibson.	-	14	
Joshua Silverwood	04	12	06	Thomas Welch.		08	
John Morse Commissary	02	15	96	John Ramsey.		14	
1675–6 Jan'y 2	5.			Thomas Furbush.		18	
Benjamin Norden	04	16	00	John Rosse.		14	
Jonathan Gay.		-	08	William Philips.		14	
George Manning.	01	00	06	John Rice.		14	
Joseph Porter.	01	00	06	James Chadwick.		04	
Josias Hillman.			06	Edward Weeden.		14	00
Thomas Jones.			02	June 24th 1676			
Edward Read.	00	10	04	Thomas Forbes.		12	
Robert Parris.	01		00	John Pemerton.		03	
John Langbury.	01	10	00	John Leech.		14	
February 29, 167	5-6			William Maderill.	-	14	
Daniel Canada.	02	14	00	Peter Leane.		14	10
James Franklin.	02	14	00	William Smallage.	-	15	
Jonathan Wales.			00	Richard Gibson.		14	
George Grimes.			00	Thomas Ockerby.		14	
John Provender.			00	Jonathan Wales.		14	
John Leech.			00	Richard Randall.		02	
Hugh Gollihu (Collohue)	02	14	0.0	Joseph Wakefield.	02		
				William Blake jr.		14	
Joshuah Silverwood.	03	00	00	John Essery.		10	
John Bucknum.	02	14	. 00	Thomas Warren	02		
Edward Weston.			00	Philip Keane.		02	
Benjamin Dyer.	02	14	00	Edward Weason.	-	02	
March 24th 167	5-6			Joseph Douse.	-	14	
Daniel Mathews.	01		00	Stephen Fielder.		14	
Samuel Colebourne.	02	14	00	Joseph Pratt.	-		
John Stebbins.			00	Thomas Bishop.		18	
John Brandon.			00	Joseph Deers.		02	
Jonathan Freeman.			00	Richard Addams.		08	
John Williston.			. 00	James Couch.		14	
Daniel Matthews.	02	0.5	00	John Ramsey.	02		_
James Johnson.			00	Thomas Webb.		02	
Richard Gibson.			0.0	Daniel Clow.		08	
John Farmer.			03	John Wilkins.		14	
John Canterbery.			00	Matthew Thomas.		14	
John Cooper.	02			Samuel Leman.		14	
James Updike.	02	14	. 00	Richard Cowell.		02	
April 24th 167	6			Daniel East.	02		
John Munge.	02		. 00	Thomas Hitchborn.		14	
John Shepard.			00	Samuel Fosdike.		14	
Thomas Davis.			. 00	John Hawkins.		14	
Sam¹ Guile.			00	David Landon	02		10
James Mollard.	01	17	06	Seabread Taylor.	02	02	00



John Long.	02 14 10 Joseph Graves.	01 04 00
Peter Bennett, Lieut.	06 15 00 Roger Brown.	02 14 00
John Wensteed.	02 14 00 Thomas Bull.	03 03 00
Edmund Chamberlain.	00 12 00 Joseph Douse.	$02 \ 14 \ 00$
Jacob Cole.	03 00 00 James Smith.	05 08 00
Edward Walker.	02 14 00 Dennis Sihy.	04 00 00
Joseph Low.	04 10 10	

It will be remembered that the credits for service were given at the close of such service, or at regular monthly or bi-monthly settlements. It often happened that the men would be separated from their officers, at garrisons on special duties, and so waiting the official signature the bill would be delayed sometimes for a year. Many who were in the Narraganset campaign were not paid off till the general settlement, June 24th, 1676. And though many of the credits represent later service, yet I judge the oftrepeated amount, £02 14 00, represents the "Fort" campaign. This will hold in nearly every case, though not all. Thomas May was in that campaign and received no credit until September 23, 1676. The credits in other companies confirm this theory.

The forces under Gen. Winslow marched on the afternoon of December 9th to Woodcock's Garrison, and December 10th to Seaconk. From thence Capt. Mosely and his men sailed with Mr. Richard Smith across the bay, and then marched to his Garrison-House at Wickford in Narraganset, arriving in the evening, having taken a party of thirty-six Indians on the way.

Mr. Church relates that he went across to Wickford with Mr. Smith, but omits any mention of Capt. Mosely and his company, and their capture of 36 Indians in the march to Wickford, but tells of 18 that himself took with the "Eldridges and some other brisk hands." Church never omits to tell of his own exploits at full length. Mosely was the most popular officer of the army, and undoubtedly excited Church's anger and perhaps jealousy by ignoring and opposing him. Mosely, the successful captain at the head of a strong company of veterans, would not readily accept commands from one without title or company, whose best service hitherto had been only in scouting and skirmishing with small irregular parties. Church writes his own adventures. Mosely's can never be known fully, but what we have shows him to be brave, popular with both the army and at home, and wonderfully successful.

Gen. Winslow with the other forces ferried over to Providence, and marched through "Pomham's" territory, in hopes to capture that sachem, to the rendezvous at Smith's Garrison, on the evening of Dec. 12th. Mosely had captured one Peter, an Indian who betrayed Philip, and became invaluable to the army as a faithful guide, actuated probably by desire of revenge. On December 14th the General marched out with his forces to explore the



surrounding country, and Sergt. (John) Bennet, with thirty men of Capt. Oliver's company, went out scouting, and killed two

Indians and captured eight more.

On the 15th occurred a skirmish at a certain stone-wall, where twenty or thirty Indians discharged their guns at Capt. Mosely at once without effect. On the same evening the Garrison-House of Jireh (Jerry) Bull at Petasquamscot was destroyed, and seventeen persons killed, of which news was brought next day by Capt. Prentice's troop, and on the 17th the Connecticut forces, three hundred English and one hundred and fifty Mohegans, arrived at the same place, and on the 18th the whole force of Massachusetts and Plymouth met them there about 5 P.M.

Bull's Garrison had been intended for the general rendezvous, and its loss was severely felt, as the army was forced to spend the entire night without shelter. At 5 A.M. the next morning, December 19th, they took up the march towards the Fort.

The story of the march, and the great battle at the "Swamp fort," is to be told in full in a subsequent chapter and so is

omitted here.

The following list of "Wounded and Slayne" in Capt. Mosely's company, is in the Archives, vol. 68:

John Farmer, Boston Richard Barnam, Jerre Stockes, W^m Bourle, Charlestown (probably Burt) Slavne Edmund Chamberlain, Maulden Richard Updick, Narragansett 9 Wounded Lieut. Perez Savage Boston John Brandon men are John Sherman, Watertown. on 6 Jan'ry, James Updick, Boston. at Rhode Island with 5 Souldgrs James Chadwick, Malden. to attend John Fuller, Dedham. John Shepheard, Charlestown. the Rich^d Addams of Sudbury. wounded men Jacob Coole, Charlestown. there Samuel Fosdick. Thomas Weales. James Dighenton. (Dichetto) To attend Joseph Low. Joshua Silverwood.

Daniel Weld, chirurgeon, is credited £10; is probably the Dr. Wells referred to in petition of Holman above. He was "Chirurgeon General," and was of Salem. There is a credit to George Thomas, Dec. 10, for "Chyrurgion Instruments for Dr. Weld and Dr. Knott" (Richard Knott of Marblehead). These were with the wounded probably, and also Dr. Philip Read, of Lyan, and Dr. William Hawkins, Boston.



Mr. Hubbard states the number of Mosely's men killed to be nine, wounded ten. Whole number of English killed, above eighty, and one hundred and fifty wounded that recovered. He puts the number of Indians killed at one thousand warriors, and many of the aged and women and children. The troops returned to Smith's Garrison that night, and cared for their wounded; and Church relates that Mr. Andrew Belcher arrived that evening at Wickford with a vessel laden with supplies, without which there must have been great suffering.

In a bill presented by Capt. Benjamin Gillam, dated Jan. 19, 1675, is the item, "To charges on men to cut out Andrew

Belcher's Sloop to goe to Narragansett, 14s."

The troops remained mostly inactive during the ensuing month, seeking to bring the Indians to terms of a permanent peace. There was some scouting and frequent captures, but no general action. Jan. 10, new forces were sent down from Boston, and the army was recruited to 1600 men, and on Jan. 27th began to move in pursuit of the Indians, who had now renewed their depredations. At last, in the early part of February, having pursued them around as far as Marlborough and Brookfield, they were forced to leave the pursuit for want of provisions and rest, and marched into Boston. On the 5th of February the Major was ordered to dismiss his soldiers to their several homes to await further summons. On February 15th, Capt. Mosely was ordered to march with his company to Sudbury, and there to abide till further orders.

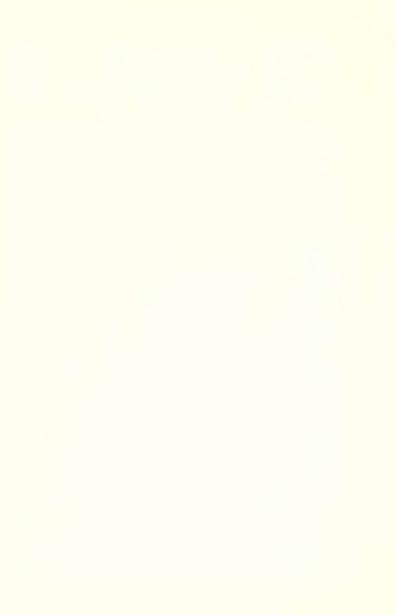
These credits cover various services from Dec. 10, 1675.

July 24th 16	76	Samuel Clark.	03 03 04
Henry Swaine.	02 13 00	James Couch.	00 19 03
Richard Bennett.	08 08 00	John Hands.	00 15 00
Gilbert Endecott.	05 08 09	John Dunbarr	02 12 02
John Day.	02 14 09	Benjamin Lathrop.	02 08 00
Sam¹ Colborne.	02 14 10	John Salter.	01 14 02
Samuel Guild.	04 02 00	Ezekiel Hamblin.	00 12 10
Gilbert Forsith.	04 02 00	Roger Prosser.	00 19 03
Perez Savage, Lieut.	07 16 00	Andrew Johnson.	02 14 10
Samuel Measie.	02 13 00	Jonathan Sprague.	00 18 10
John Oates.	03 12 00	John Pitcher.	00 12 10
William Wainright.	02 14 10	John Harrison.	00 12 10
Jeffrey Jeffers.	02 09 06	John Auger.	00 12 10
Richard Silvester.	00 18 00	David Langdon.	00 12 11
Armstrong Horner.	02 14 00	John Sibly.	00 12 00
John Mousall.	02 14 00	Francis Earle.	$00 \ 10 \ 02$
August 24.	1676	Nathaniel Badcock.	00 10 02
Roger Prosser.	02 02 00	John Goff.	00 15 00
Peter Mellardy.	00 10 02	Joseph Wakefield.	00 12 10
John Gilbert.	00 12 10	Perez Savage.	$01 \ 12 \ 02$
Joseph Saxton.	00 12 10	John Minds.	00 18 10
Jacob Allin.	01 05 08	Israel Howen (Howell)	00 10 02



Joseph Butler.	00 1	0 02	Samuel Davis.	00	15	00
Mark Round.	02 1	4 10	William Bassly.	01	16	10
September 23 ^d ,	1676.		Thomas May.	02	14	00
John Prescott.			Archibell Forrest.	02	14	10
John Mudg.	$02 \ 1$	4 10	John Gilbert, Senior.	0.0	12	10
James Marshall.	00 1	2 10	James Wamsly	02	14	00

From Sudbury he soon after marched to Marlboro', where he seems to have remained several weeks, taking a large part in the negotiations concerning the redemption of captives, regulating (?) the affairs of the friendly Indians, etc. It is evident that he was always impatient of commands from his superior officers. The "seniority" rule of precedence was strictly adhered to in the colonial army, and in active service we find him constantly either disregarding or avoiding it. It is evident, even from Church's own account, that at the Fort fight, Gen. Winslow was only nominally in command; for when by Church's advice he had resolved to hold the fort and remain, "a certain Captain" threatened to shoot his horse under him if he attempted to enter with his troops, and "in a great heat" declared that Church had "lied" to him about the situation, and then a certain Doctor "brusled up" and supported the said captain. There is little doubt that this captain was Mosely. The exploits of Mr. Church in this campaign seem not to have been known to any of the early historians except himself. It is plain that the Massachusetts officers, especially Mosely, at the head of his veterans, popular, and flushed with the fresh victory in which Church had no part, would regard his interference as that of an insolent up-This popularity with the army, and the violent party of Indian-haters, together with his eminent success in the field, and probably his near relationship to the Governor's family, supported him in many notorious acts of insubordination and insolence towards his superiors, and even the Council. The hanging of Indians, referred to in his letter, was probably his "tying up" of the two Indian captives and extorting their evidence against the eleven seized at Marlboro'. The affair of Job Kattenanit, a tried and faithful "praying" Indian, whom, for his faithful service, Gen. Denison, by the advice of Major Savage, had given liberty to seek out his family held as captives by Philip's allies, shows Mosely's influence; for he came to the General's head-quarters and denounced both officers, and raised such a storm of indignation that they were obliged to send forthwith to bring Job back. And although members of the Council were very indignant at his insolent conduct, he was not even reprimanded, either for this act, or his high-handed proceeding at Concord; where he entered the congregation on the Sabbath, and harangued the people against the peaceful Nashobah Indians, whom the Council had placed in the charge of Mr. Hoare; and then seized the Indians, allowing



his soldiers to plunder all their possessions in spite of Mr. Hoare's remonstrances, and marched them down to Boston, whence the Court was constrained to send them to Deer Island, where with many other friendly Indians they were subjected to fearful privations. A full account of all these transactions may be found in the History of the Praying Indians by that upright and noble man, Gen. Daniel Gookin; a summary of which will be given in a

subsequent chapter.

Capt. Mosely marched with Major Savage from Marlborough to Quaboag, March 1, 1676. They were there joined by the Connecticut troops, and all moved on towards Northampton, and he was engaged in the succeeding campaign in the west. On May 5th he received an independent commission, and the wages of his soldiers were to be raised by popular subscription, and besides they were to have all the profits accruing from the plunder or sale of captives, and if these resources failed, the Court was to make up the balance; and this irregular way of settling may be the reason that no larger credits appear in the later months. In June, Mosely and his men were sent in company with Capt. Brattle and his troop to assist the people of Plymouth Colony, and were still there after July 22d; and they there took part in the capture of one hundred and fifty captives, and probably soon after returned to Boston. The faithful services of the friendly Indians in the later campaigns had caused a reaction of popular feeling towards them. The fame of Church, who succeeded in destroying Philip at Mount Hope, August 12th, somewhat eclipsed that of Capt. Mosely, and we hear no more of his military service thereafter, if he performed any. On August 24th, at a great sale of Indian captives, he is charged with "1 boy and girle 6£; & 13 squawes & papooses 20£"; and this is the last notice I find of him throwing light upon his subsequent career.

The date and circumstances of Capt. Mosely's death are not, as yet, definitely known. Savage says he died January, 1680. The "Inventory of the Estate of Capta Sam! Mosely deceased," was taken Jan. 26, 1679 (N. S. 1680), and may have been Mr. Savage's authority. In Judge Sewall's Interleaved Almanac Diary, this item appears: "1677, Oct. 20, 7, Capt. S. Mosely." But we are left in doubt as to its meaning. His final account is found in Hull's 3d Ledger, under date of July, 1678, and credits him with military service, £67 05 06, which I presume was in full for his whole service. Sometime after, September 1678, £1 credit is given "per Isaac Addington," to balance Mosely's account with the government. He died intestate. The careful inventory, rendered by Sewall, of the worldly possessions as produced by Ann Mosely the widow, who was admitted administratrix January 30, 1679-80, makes no mention of any arms or clothing except an old musket and sword in the "Garret."



This circumstance, with some others, and a lack of any official reference to his death, would seem to indicate that it happened

away from home.

Ann Mosely, thrown upon her own resources for maintenance, was granted a license by the town authorities, in 1681 and 1682, "To sell wine and stronge liquors out of dores." That she prospered is proved by the deed of trust to her brothers, Isaac Addington and Penn Townsend, 1684, in favor of her daughters, "her only living children," just before she married Nehemiah Pierce, "set-work-cooper." He died in 1691, leaving her again a widow.

The son Samuel died young, doubtless. The daughter Rebecca married January 22, 1694, James Townsend; and Mary married William Webster, November 25, 1696. Rebecca married again in 1708, Jonathan Williams, who in 1733 appears as the Narraganset claimant in the "right of his wife's Father Capt

Maudeslev."

Capt. Mosely's descendants were quite numerous in the second and third generation, through Rebecca's children by Townsend and Williams. Her daughter, Rebecca Williams, married Thaddeus Mason, and their daughter, Rebecca Mason, married, in 1767, William Harris, and their oldest son was Rev. Thaddeus Mason Harris, D.D., b. July 7, 1768; grad. H. C., 1787, who was for forty-three years the Pastor of the First Church in Dorchester, and died April 3, 1842.



CAPT. THOMAS PRENTICE AND HIS TROOP, WITH TROOPS OF LIEUT. OAKES AND CAPT. PAIGE.

TT may be in order here to recall attention to the very efficient organization of the colonial militia, noted in Chapter I. We have seen that Capt. Henchman's foot company was made up of quotas of men from all the surrounding towns; Capt. Moselv's was of hastily collected volunteers, and we now come to the third branch of the service, the "Troopers," in some respects the most important. It seems to have been a matter of solicitude in the colony for many years to increase the number of horses, and as early as 1648 laws were passed encouraging the formation of cavalry companies. Those who would enlist as troopers in local companies and keep horses, were allowed five shillings per year, and their head and horse-tax abated. It naturally followed that the most thrifty and well-to-do in the colony would become troopers, and the men of greatest ability and influence would be made their officers. At the beginning of the war there were five regular cavalry companies or "troops" in the colony. Suffolk County Troop was commanded by Capt. William Davis, who died October, 1676, and was succeeded by Lieut. Thomas Brattle. The Middlesex Troop was commanded by Capt. Thomas Prentice. Essex County had two troops, one raised in Salem and Lynn, of which George Corwin was captain; and another, raised in Ipswich, Newbury and Rowley, of which John Appleton was captain. In Hampshire and Norfolk the horsemen were attached to the various companies in the regiment, eight or ten to each company of foot. Besides these regulars, there was an independent company raised at large in the counties of Suffolk. Middlesex and Essex, called the "Three County Troop." Edward Hutchinson had command of this up to October, 1674, but then resigned, and the court had not found a suitable successor who was willing to accept the appointment, and Lieut. William Haisy was in command in June, 1675. Out of these "troops" quotas were drawn to make up the company required for special service, and officers were chosen at the option of the court. In this first campaign the troopers were mostly from the towns immediately around Boston; and, in addition to these, were a few Indians



from Natick and Punckapoag. The Captain and Lieutenant

were from Cambridge, and the Cornet from Woburn.

The commander, Capt. Thomas Prentice, was born in England about 1620. He came with wife Grace, and daughter Grace to Cambridge, and settled on the south side of the river; freeman 1652. He was a very active and influential man, and a trusted officer both in civil and military service. He died July 7, 1709,

aged 89 years.

Capt. Prentice was appointed captain of the special Troop, June 24, 1675, and sent out with Capt. Henchman, as has been related. On arriving at Swansey, at Miles's garrison, the Indians began firing from the bushes across the river at our guards, and twelve of the troopers volunteered to go over the bridge and drive them off. These were commanded by Quartermaster Joseph Belcher and Corporal John Gill. Mr. Church went along with them, and also a stranger, and William Hammond acted as pilot. As they advanced across the bridge the Indians fired upon them and wounded Mr. Belcher in the knee, killed his horse, and shot Gill in the breast, but his buff coat and several thicknesses of paper saved him from injury. They killed the pilot outright, and the troopers were forced to retreat, bringing off Hammond and his horse. On the renewal of the attack by the Indians next morning, the troop, supported by Mosely's volunteers, charged across the bridge and drove the Indians from the "Neck" and across to Pocasset. June 30th was spent by the army traversing Mount Hope neck, and at evening Capt. Prentice with his troop rode to Rehoboth and quartered over night. On the morning of July 1st he divided the troop, sending one division back under command of Lieut. Edward Oakes. It is not certain whether both divisions rode back by the same route, but it would seem thus from the result. The captain's division came upon the Indians burning a house, but could not get at them on account of several fences which had to be torn down, giving the Indians time to retreat to a swamp. Lieut. Oakes's force, however, discovered them from a more advantageous quarter, and chasing them over a plain killed two of Philip's chief men, but in the fight lost one of their own men, John Druse of Roxbury, mortally wounded. The next few days Capt. Prentice and his troop spent in searching the swamps, and then went with the army to Narraganset, as has been related heretofore. Capt. Prentice's name stands second of the signers to the treaty with the Indians, July 15, 1675.

After the return to Swansey and the news that Philip was shut up in Pocasset Swamp, when the main body of Massachusetts troops were sent away to Boston, Capt. Prentice and his troop were ordered to scout towards Mendon, where the Indians had lately made an assault upon the people, killing several. The troopers met Capt. Johnson's company at Mendon, as will appear

from the following minutes of the Council:



(Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 226.)

July 26th 1675 Council Mett.

The Council on perusing of ye letter of Capt Prentice & capt Johnson, Dated July 23⁴ 1675, judged it meet to order that Capt Prentice & his Troopers be presently called home & yt Capt. Johnson with his Souldiers be also sent to Returne leaving . . . of his foot Souldiers the Scouts(?) to remayne as a Guard to Mendon and . . . of his foote at Wrentham as their Guard Referring it to the sayd Captaine to consult with the Sarjant or other chiefe Officers of each Towne how many to leave at each Towne with their Armes . . . ? Remayne till further order.

The letter referred to is now lost from the files.

The following are the soldiers who served in the first, or Mt. Hope campaign, under Capt. Prentice:

August 27th 16	75			Nehemiah Hayden.	01	07	00
John Needham.		00	00	James Whitehead.	02	00	00
Jonathan Fairbank.	01	18	06	John Wayman, Cornet	04	17	00
Samuel Pollard.	01	18	06	September 3 ^d 1	675		
Fathergon Dinely.	02	03	00	John Bisco.	02	08	06
William Brooks.	02	03	00	Oliver Willington.	02	08	06
William Agur	02	08	06	John Mason.	02	03	00
Jabes Jackson.	02	08	06	William Bond.	02	00	00
Francis Wayman.	02	01	06	Thomas Boylston.	02	17	06
Samuel Culliver.	02	03	00	September 16 ^t	h		
Thomas Woolson.	02	08	06	James Indian.		04	08
John Livermore.	02	08	06	Thomas Indian.	02	04	08
John Gibson.	01	01	06	September 21st			
William Read.	02	03	00	Matthew Bridge, Qtr Mr	03	13	00
Benjamin Moore.	02	03	00	Anthony Cooke.	01	00	0.0
William Brown.	02	03	00	John Druse.	00	11	06
Joseph Parmiter.	02	04	03	Edward Oakes, Lieut.	05	00	00
Joseph Curtice.	02	03	00	Thomas Oliver.	01	01	06
Daniel Dean.	02	08	06	John Clark.	02	03	00
Thomas Goble.	02	08	06	Thomas Hunter.	01	11	04
Ebenezer Prout.	02	08	06	Felix Indian.	01	00	06
James Miller.	02	08	06	Benjamin Ahaton.	00	10	
Robert Evans. ¹	02	08	90	Harry Indian.	01	00	
John Baxter.	02	08	06	John Adams.	01	00	
Solomon Phips, Corp ^r	02	18	04	Jeremie Indian.	01	00	
Benjamin Scott.	02	02	06	Zachary Phillips.		10	
Christopher Grant.	01	00	00	Joseph Allin.	04		
Nathaniel Howard.	01	13	00	Jonathan Orris.	01	18	
Stephen Pain.	02	08	06	David Thomas.	01	10	
Henry Summers.	02	18	04	Caleb Carter.	01	12	
Jonathan Bunker.	02	03	00	Abraham Skinner.	01	08	06
James Lowden.	-	08		November 30 th 1			
John Fowle.		13		Nathaniel Richards.	-	03	-
John Gill, Corp ^r .	02	11	00	Samuel Payson.	02	03	00
Joseph Belcher, Qart M	02	01	00				

¹ In the Cash Account the name is Eames.



Dec. 3d, 1675, Capt. Prentice was appointed to command a troop of horse in the Narraganset campaign, joined the army at Dedham plain, and marched with it, as related heretofore, to Wickford, whence on the 16th he rode with his troop to Petasquamscot, and brought back the news of the destruction of Bull's garrison. On the 19th took part in the battle at the fort.

In the Massachusetts Archives, vol. 68, page 104, I find that John Wyman, of his troop, was killed, and Nathan Richardson and Nathan Belins (Billings) of Woburn, and Samuel Stone of

Cambridge, were wounded.

After this battle Capt. Prentice was active in the subsequent scouting raids into the adjoining country. On December 27 he rode into Pomham's country (now Warwick, R.I.) and destroyed many wigwams of an Indian village, but found no Indians. On January 21 he was again scouting, and met with a party of Indians, of whom two were captured and nine killed. On the 27th the army started in pursuit of the enemy, and after several days marching returned to Boston, and the Massachusetts men were dismissed, for the time, to their homes.

The following is the list of credits for this campaign. Appended is a list of the same, as returned from the various local companies for this service, copied from Mass. Archives, vol. 68, showing the

localities from which they came.

February 29, 1	675-6	William Kent.	04 10 00
Joseph Peniman.	04 10 00	John Windham.	04 10 00
Joseph Weeden.	04 10 00	Jacob Nash.	04 10 00
Samuel Weeden.	04 10 00 .	John Eames.	04 10 00
Henry Kenney.	01 10 00	James Lowden.	04 10 00
John Spaford.	04 10 00	Samuel Payson.	04 10 00
Joseph Moore.	04 10 00	William Shattock.	04 10 00
Thomas Brown.	04 10 00	John Bush.	04 10 00
James Burnam.	04 10 00	Thomas Goble.	05 08 00
Nathaniel Ballard.	04 10 00	John Pason.	04 10 00
Thomas Putman.	04 10 00	Joseph Wright.	04 10 00
Edmond Potter.	04 10 00	June 24th 1676	3.
Daniel Champnes.	06 12 00	John Willington.	$02 \ 08 \ 06$
William Delaway.	04 10 00	John Guppy.	01 10 00
John Adams.	04 10 00	Samuel Chapman.	04 10 00
Joseph Plummer.	04 00 00	Joseph Grout.	04 10 00
Charles Blinko.	04 10 00	Daniel Thurston.	04 10 00
William Miriam.	04 10 00	William Dodg.	04 16 00
John Edmonds.	04 10 00	John Acy.	04 02 00
Thomas Johnson.	04 10 00	Joseph Parmiter.	04 10 00
John Welcott.	04 10 00	Henry Ellitt.	04 10 00
March 24 th 16	675-6	John Wyman, Lieut.	11 05 00
Richard Mather.	04 10 00	Thomas Prentice, Capt.	18 00 00
Nathaniel Billinge.	04 10 00	William Mingo.	04 10 00
John Andrews.	04 10 00	John Stern.	04 10 00
Joseph Marshall.	04 10 00	Joseph Hutchinson.	05 08 00



John Richards.	04 10 00	John Acv.	05 08 00
Thomas Geery.	04 10 00	Stephen Cooke.	02 05 08
Francis Wayman.	04 10 00	Isaac Brookes.	06 15 00
John Barrett.	04 10 00	Increas Wing.	04 10 00
Nath. Richardson.	04 10 00	Henry Summers.	02 18 03
Hugh Taylor.	04 10 00	John Kendall.	04 10 00
Caleb Grant.	04 10 00	Samuel Stone.	04 10 00
Thomas Peirce.	04 10 00	Samuel Whiting.	04 10 00
Thomas Hodgman	04 10 00	Nathaniel Cann.	04 10 00
Benjamin Davis.	04 10 00	John Wyman.	00 15 08

List of Capt. Prentice's Troopers. (Mass. Arch., vol. 68, p. 73.)
On the back of this list is written, "Capt. Prentise's 73 Troopers."

Troopers belonging to Capt. Appleton's Troope.

James Burnum, John Andrews, Edmond Potter, Samuel Chapman, John Asee (Acy), John Spaford, Daniel Thurston, Joseph Plumer, John Woollcock, Thomas Johnson. 10.

Troopers belonging to Capt. Curwin.

Steeven Hascull (Hasket), Charles Blincko (for Jon* Corwins), Thomas Howard (for Benj. Browne), William Dodge (Jr,) Thomas Putman Juniour, John Richards, Nathaniel Ballard junr, John Edmonds, William Merriam, Thomas Flint (Sen*).

Troopers belonging to Capt. Hutchinson.

Mr. Eliakim Hutchason, Benjamin Muzzey, Sam¹ Weeden, Joseph Weeden, John Guppie (Goopy), Daniel Greenland, John Barret, Thomas Hodgman, Benja Daveis, John Gooll (Gould), Joseph Marshall, Thomas Geery (Grary), Thomas Hart, Isack Brooks, Joseph Right (Wright), John Kindall, Nath¹ Richardson, Thomas Pearce, Increas Wing, Nath¹ Cann.

Troopers belonging to Captin Davis.

William Kent, John Ruggles, Sampson Chester, William Towers, [John Miner erased], Henry Eliot, John Person (Pason), Richard Mather Juniour, Martin Sanders, Crosby of Braintree (Joseph), Joseph Penniman, Samuel Haidne (Haiden), Ebenezer Haidne (Haiden), John Riplee, Samuel Whitney. 14.

Troopers belonging to Middlesex.

Mr. John Long. Mr. Joseph Line, James Lowdne (Lowden), Thomas Browne, John Adams, Samuel Stone Juniour. Daniel Champney, John Eams. William Shattock, John Stearns, Caleb Grant, Joseph Groute, Joseph Moore, Joseph Parmiter, David Stone, Nathaniel Billing, Thomas Goble Juniour, Ebenezer Proute, John Wyman Juniour, Francis Wyman Juniour. 19.

"73 besides Peter Woodward & Joseph Proute."

¹ The names in brackets are added from another list on page 100 of the same volume.



In an anonymous contemporary account published in England July, 1676, it is related that Capt. Prentice with six troopers went to the rescue of a portion of Capt. Wadsworth's ill-fated company at Sudbury, and these three names may be of those troopers.

Aug 24 1676 | John Cuttin. 00 18 06 Samuel Church. 00 11 05 | Samuel Goff. 01 00 00

Capt. Prentice had charge of the impressment and equipment of Middlesex men in the winter and spring of 1675-6, as shown by various orders of the court to furnish troopers, guards and scouts. He had much to do later in settling the affairs of the friendly Indians, by whom he was greatly respected. After the death of Philip, the Nipnet sachem John, accepting the court's amnesty, came in with some of his men, and were kept in Capt. Prentice's charge at his house. A credit of £6 "for fetching ve Natick Indians" refers to his conducting their removal in 1676, to Deer Island. July, 1689, Capt. Prentice, with Mr. Noah Wiswall, was sent to arrange matters with the uneasy Punckapoags and Naticks. When Sir Edmund Andros, on July 2, escaped from prison in Boston and fled to Rhode Island, Capt. Prentice was ordered to ride down with his troop and receive him after he was arrested by the people at Rhode Island. This order he obeys, and writes the Court from Bristol, July 8th. an account of his reception of the prisoner, and his purpose to return by way of Dorchester to the Castle, to avoid disturbance. (Mass. Archives, vol. 107, page 256.) In the Archives, vol. 106, page 436, is a certificate from Capt. Prentice that he was billeted with his troop on the journey to and return from Rhode Island, two nights at Woodcock's tavern. On the death of Major Gookin, the various tribes of "Praying" Indians petitioned the court in 1691 to appoint Capt. Prentice superintendent of their affairs in the beloved Gookin's place.

LIEUT. EDWARD OAKES AND HIS TROOPERS.

Edward Oakes came from England before 1640; freeman at Cambridge, May 18, 1642; brought from England wife Jane and sons Urian and Edward; had baptized at Cambridge Mary and Thomas; was selectman twenty-six years, from 1643 to 1678; deputy to General Court from Cambridge fifteen years, between 1659 and 1681, and from Concord 1683, '4 and '6; Lieutenant of Capt. Prentice's troop, June, 1675, and served in the summer campaign at Mount Hope, of which account is given above. The service for which the following credits are given was probably rendered in the winter of 1675-6. From the letter of Rev. John Wilson, of Medfield, February 14, 1675-6 (Archives, vol. 68, page 134), it appears that Lieut. Oakes was at Lancaster after its



destruction February 10th, and was afterwards scouting between Marlborough and Medfield, and at the attack on February 21, was quartered there with his troopers. Simon Crosby puts in a small bill for billeting his troop at Billerica, but date of service does not appear. He died at Concord, October 13, 1689, aged, probably, 85 years.

Credits under Lieut. Edward Oakes.

March 24th 1673	5-6			John Seers.	01 00 00
James Miller.	01	12	10	Timothy Simmes.	01 09 06
John Gibson.	01	12	10	Matthew Griffin.	00 19 08
Solomon Phips, Qatr Mr	.02	09	04	John Teed.	02 16 06
Thomas Creswell (Cros	well)		Wm Auger (Agur, Alger	01 12 10
`	01	12	10	Timothy Hawkins.	01 12 10
April 24th, 167	76			John Mousall.	01 12 10
John Hastings. Luke Perkins.	00	19	08	Capt Oakes. July	24th 1676
Luke Perkins	00	19	08	Jacob Hill.	00 19 08
Stephen Cooledg.	00	19	08	Samuel Hayward. Henry Spring.	01 10 00
Samuel Whiting.		19	08	Henry Spring.	01 12 10
June 24th, 167	6			Thomas Mitchenson.	$00 \ 19 \ 08$
Thomas Peirce.	00	19	08	Joseph Cooke.	04 02 00
Thomas Edmons.	00	19	08	Thomas Frost.	01 00 06
William Reade.	00	19	08	Edward Oakes.	06 11 00
Jonathan Bunker.	01	12	10	August 24 th 16	76.
Stephen Paine.	01	12	10	John Streeter.	00 19 08
Thomas Henshaw.	01	11	04	James Prentice.	00 18 00
Stephen Richardson.	01	12	10	Sept 23 ^d , 167	
Christopher Grant.	01	12	10	John Green.	01 12 10
Thomas Strait.	01	03	00	John Fowle.	01 19 04

CAPT. NICHOLAS PAIGE AND HIS TROOP.

Capt. Nicholas Paige came from Plymouth, England. He was in Boston as early as 1665. In 1675, June 27th, was appointed captain of a troop to accompany Maj. Thomas Savage in the expedition to Mt. Hope; took part in the movements there; accompanied the army to Narraganset and back, and then returned to Boston with Major Savage and disbanded his men, and there is no farther account of any service in this war.

Capt. Paige was active in business, and in civil affairs later on; was of the Artillery Company, 1693; later its commander and a colonel. He died in 1717. He left no children, and in the joint will of Nicholas and wife Anna, made in 1703, after many small legacies, gave the bulk of property, including the farm at Runney-Marsh, where they lived, to their kinswoman Martha Hobbs, also made her executrix and gave her some good advice about marrying into a godly family. (She married Capt. Nathaniel Oliver, 1709, and had children, Paige and Martha.) Should she



fail of issue, the property goes to his cousin William Paige, of London, England. His wife Anna was a granddaughter of Capt. Robert Keayne and a niece of Gov. Joseph Dudley. Her first husband was Edward Lane.

The following are the credits for his men in this campaign:

August 23d 16	75	John Picard.	02 00 00
John Ballard.	02 00 00	Daniel Wycom.	02 00 00
John Breid.	02 00 00	William Reeves.	02 00 00
Samuel Moore.	$02 \ 02 \ 00$	Nicholas Manning.	02 08 00
Sept. 3 ^d		John Whipple, Lieut.	05 00 00
Samuel Giddings.	02 00 00	Francis Young.	02 00 00
Joseph Proctor.	02 00 00	Ephraim Fellows.	02 00 00
Nathaniel Engersell.	02 00 00	James Hoult.	02 00 00
William Osborn.	02 00 00	Joseph Safford.	02 00 00
Lawrence Hart.	02 00 00	Thomas Newman.	02 00 00
Joseph Needham.	02 00 00	Uzall Wardall.	02 00 00
Nicholas Paige, Capt.	08 00 00	Daniel Wilkins.	02 00 00
Francis Coard.	02 00 00	Samuel Sillesbie.	02 00 00
Enoch Lawrence.	02 00 00	William Due.	02 00 00
Benjamin Wilkins.	02 00 00	William Curtis.	02 00 00
Thomas Noyce, Cornet.	04 00 00	Daniel Welcom.	02 00 00
James Ford.	02 00 00	Thomas Albey.	02 00 00
Ezekiel Mighill.	02 00 00	Mark Hescall.	02 00 00
Thomas Tharly.	02 00 00		

Thomas Noyce, of Newbury, was chosen, 1683, Capt. of the

second Newbury company.

John Whipple, appointed Cornet of Ipswich Troop in 1663, and then said to be "son of Elder Whiple." He was captain of a special Troop, Feb. 1675-6.



MAJOR THOMAS SAVAGE AND THE FORCES UNDER HIM.

TAJOR THOMAS SAVAGE was born in Taunton, Somerset Co., England, son of William Savage. Came in the "Planter" to Boston, April, 1635, aged 27. Admitted freeman in May following; was an original member of the Artillery Company, and was chosen its captain in 1651, and several times afterwards. He married Faith, daughter of William and Ann Hutchinson, in 1637, and for sharing the views of Ann and her brother-in-law, Rev. John Wheelwright, he was disarmed by the Court, and joined with Coddington and others in the purchase of Rhode Island, whither he removed in 1638, but returned the same year. By his wife Faith he had seven children between 1638 and 1652. Faith died February 20, 1652, and the following September he married Mary Symmes, daughter of Rev. Zechariah, of Charlestown, by whom he had eleven more children. He was almost constantly in public office, and was especially prominent in all the military affairs of the town from 1651 onward. He was captain of 2d Boston militia company from 1652 to his death in $168\bar{2}$.

It is the purpose, in this chapter, to give as fully as possible the operations under Major Savage, and facts connected with this Mt. Hope campaign, and the names of men serving with him not previously mentioned, so that our account of the campaign may be considered complete. Some details of the opening preparations are here given, as being rather connected with the move-

ments of the general force than separate companies. It will be remembered that the first actual attack of Philip was upon those people of Swansey who lived nearest to him. An account of this attack was sent to the Massachusetts Council by Gov. Josiah Winslow of Marshfield. His letter is in Mass. Archives, vol. 67, page 202, dated June 21st, and says the attack was made on the day before, and asks the Massachusetts Colony for aid only in protecting them from the alliance of Philip with the Narraganset and Nipmuck Indians, which tribes are within

¹ The term Nipmuck or Nipnet, is used here and elsewhere often, as if including the Quabaugs, Nashaways, Wabbaquassets, Pocomptucks, and others.



the jurisdiction of Massachusetts; says that if Plymouth can have "fair play" with their own Indians he trusts they can take care of themselves. On the same paper is a copy of the answer of the Council, assuring him of immediate assistance, and that they will send messengers with all speed to both Narragansets and Nipmucks. This answer is dated June 21, "at 5 o'clock."

On the same day an order was passed in the Council to Capt. Edward Hutchinson, Seth Perry and William Towers, giving commission and instruction for taking a warning message to the Narragansets, and to leave a letter for Roger Williams at Providence. This message is in Mass. Archives, vol. 67, page 201. in a paper directed to "Moosucke [Mootucke], Ninigret & Squa Sachem, of the Narraganset & Nyantic Indians." A paper containing the agreements of the Nipmuck chiefs is in vol. 30, page 169, of the Mass. Archives. Upon June 24th came news of the general outbreak, and further appeal from Plymouth. Council hastily despatched two messengers to Philip, who, arriving at Swansey, discovered the two men who were slain that day lying in the road, and thus warned of the futility of their peaceful mission, they returned to Boston without speaking with Philip. I find by a letter from the Council to Gov. Winthrop of Connecticut, that these two messengers were Capt. Savage and Mr. Brattle.

This letter is of great importance in several respects in the light it throws upon those few busy days. It is in the Mass. Archives, vol. 67, page 209, and is the original draft, containing many erasures and corrections. It is judged to be in the handwriting of Thomas Danforth, who was then First Commissioner of the United Colonies. It is endorsed by Edw. Rawson, as follows: "Rough draft of Council's letter to Connecticot Gov. Ent. June 28, 1675." The figure 8 in the date is somewhat obscure, but the reference in the letter to the Fast appointed for "to-morrow" (which fast we know to have been on the 29th) proves the date of writing to have been on the 28th.

Extract of the Massachusetts Council's letter of June 28, 1675, to the governor of Connecticut:

of yt Colony [Plymouth] hath frequently solicited us for Ayde we as soone as wee could possibly Raise wee have sent to yem. It's certified from Plymouth and Swansey that both the Narragansets and Monhegins have sent ayd to Phillip. We sent messengers to the Narragansets & Nipmucks to warn & caution them not to Assist Phillip or if any were Gon to command their returne, our messengers are returned from both those places, the Nipmucks speake faire and say that they are faithful to the English and will not Assist Phillip, the Narragansets say they will not medle but there is more reason to suspect the latter and wee believe Uncas is not unconcerned in this matter, all our intelli-



gence gives us ground to believe that the poore people in those parts are in a very distressed condition in many respects, their houses burned, their people kild & wounded they not able to make any Attempt upon the Indians wanting both victuall ammunition and arms we hath occasioned us to send greatt forces for their reliefe, we have sent above three hundred foot and about eighty horse besides several carts laden with munition and with goods and provisions and armes. moreover we are sending two vessels with provision and munition to supply ye forces, ye vessells to serve as there shall be cause, We sent Capt. Savage and Mr. Brattle 4 days since to speake with Philip who are returned but could not obtaine speech with him, The Council have appointed a fast to-morrow to seek God in this matter and a blessing upon our forces, How far his tribes may spread is with the Lord our God to order, There is reason to concive y' if Phillip be not soone [suppressed?] he and his confederates may skulke into the woods and greatly anoy the English & y' the confederacy of the Indians is larger than yet we see. Maj. Gen Denison was chosen for to goe General of these forces, but he being taken ill Capt. Savage is sent Commanderin-chief, Capt Prentis commanding ye horse, Capt. Henchman and Capt Mosley, Capts of ye foot, Our eyes are unto ye Lord for his presence wth yem, & hope you will not be wanting in yr prares and watchfulness over the Indians, and particularly we request you to use y' utmost authority to restrain the Monhegins & Pequods.

E. R. Sec'y.

By inquiry I found that this letter, dated June 28th, is preserved in the Connecticut Archives, and also two others which are not in our own. By the kind offices of Mr. Charles J. Hoadly, State Librarian of Connecticut, I have been furnished complete copies of both. One is of July 5th and the other July 10th. Extracts of these letters are given below, from Conn. Arch., War Does., Vol. I. Doc. 5:

Boston July 5th 1675

Hon^d Gent^a By our former dat, the 3^d of this instant wee gave you a briefe account of the late outbreaking of the Indians in the Plimouth Colony at Swanzie and p^b adjac' and since yⁱ wee received the enclosed declaring the deplorable condition of those at Taunton in the same Colony wee have at their request accomodated them with ammunition and men, ie. ab' 80 troopers furnished with carbines & small musicetts ab' 100 dragoones & ab' 100 foote soldjers so that with their attendance for waggons &c. y^c whole may be neere 400 men also two vessells well fitted with men provisions & ammunition we have sent ab' the Cape to accomodate all their necessityes so far as wee could judge necessary, &c.

The remainder of the letter discusses the affairs of the United Colonies relating to the arming and management of the Indians not yet engaged with Philip, and is signed by Edward Rawson, Sec'y, on behalf of the Court, and is superscribed,

These to the Right Worshipf" John Winthrop Esqr Govenr of his



Maj^{ty,} Colony at Connecticot p'sent, To be communicated to the Council there.

Extract of the letter of July 10th 1675. Conn. Arch., War Does., Vol. I. Doe. 7:

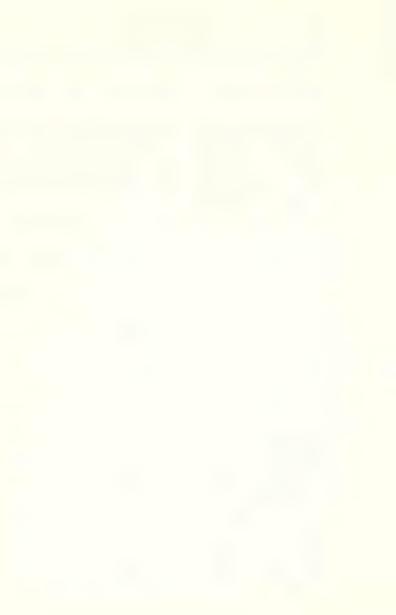
. . . Capt Hutchinson wth abt 100. of our forces went from o' headquarters upon Tuesday last to y^e Narrogansets to demand an acc' of their actings wee expect hourely intelligence wt they have done there which will be a great guide to us in our further motions. . . Yesterday came six men sent from Uneas to assure his friendship & offer his service agt Phillip or other enemyes of y^e English with a 1re from Mr. Fitch to whome wee have returned of answer declaring to Uneas yt if he will send hostages to y^e English for the assurance of his faithfulness wee shall accept his offer &c. &c.

Signed Edward Rawson, Sec'y
By order of the Council.

In Mass. Archives, vol. 67, page 207, is the Court's instruction to Thomas Savage as major of the Massachusetts forces in this expedition under Major Gen. Denison as commander-in-chief of the colony, closing thus: "And in case the Lord should disenable y' General so as to take him of the service you shall take charge and command of all according to the commission given unto him," etc.

Major Savage had been commissioned for this expedition on or before June 24th, and the Court had then voted to raise one hundred horse and fifty foot. These constituted the companies of Henchman and Prentice, and together with Capt. Mosely's men, made up the number to two hundred and sixty men. besides officers and teamsters, etc., which force, estimated in round numbers at three hundred, marched out of Boston on June 26th. As to the exact time of Major Savage's marching, or the force with him, the accounts are somewhat vague and conflicting. I give briefly the various references bearing upon this point; and first, it is certain that Capt. Paige's troop numbered, according to the treasurer's credits, thirty-six men including officers. The statement in the above letter claims over three hundred and eighty men to have been sent, up to June 28th.

In Mather's "Indian War," strangely enough, no mention is made of Major Savage in relation to this first campaign. And Mr. Hubbard, the most reliable of all, relates in reference to this particular, that Major Savage came up "with other supplies" on the evening of June 29th. On the next day they moved forward into Mount Hope neek, "with a troop of horse in each wing;" encamping that night (June 30th) "in the open field" in a heavy rain. Next day (July 1st) they marched back to Swansey. That night Capt. Prentice's troop rode to Seekonk, and Major Savage appears to have remained at Swansey, July 2d, awaiting



their return. On July 3d Henchman and Prentice searched the swamps between Swansey and Rehoboth, and Capt. Mosely "and Capt. Paige with his dragoons attending on Major Savage," marched back into Mount Hope. Mr. Church's account is extremely vague in reference to this campaign, especially in regard to the Massachusetts forces, making no mention of Maj. Savage by name. After a diligent search among published accounts and unpublished sources of information, I am unable to find any further reference giving light upon this point, except that the Journal has no credits under Major Savage for this campaign, save the following, viz.:

Sept 3d 1675

Thomas Savage for service as Major and other charges, 22 00 00

02	00	00
01	04	00
03	04	00
16	00	00
00	15	00
01	10	00
	01 03 16 00	02 00 01 04 03 04 16 00 00 15 01 10

William Locke was the regular surgeon who went out with the army on June 26th (Mass. Archives, vol. 69, pages 58 and 60). This "Toten" was Dr. John Touton, a Huguenot, who at this time lived at Rehoboth, and his service may be inferred in part by the following order in Mass. Archives, vol. 67, page 221:

Order to Mr. John Toton to take "Peter Sympkins, Robert Smith and Isaac Ratt, to attend" him and "go for the reliefe of the wounded"... "and in case of their refusal you are reqired by the Constables to send them forthwith to Capt. Hudson who is required to send them to Boston." Dated July 22, 1675.

Mr. Joseph Dudley also went out with Major Savage, and received on Sept. 14th credit of 08 11 04, for salary as chaplain. In regard to the two vessels, I find in Mass. Archives, vol. 67.

page 211, the following papers:

Committee imployed for this present Expedition against the Indians, ordered to send the following provisions aboard the Sloope Swanne, whereof Samuel Woodbery is master to be sent for the supply of our forces, Vizt 2000 weight of Bisket, 40 barrells of pease in casks, 10 Barrells of Pork, 10 Kintalls of drye fish, 1 hogshead of Rumme, six jarrs of oyle, 4 barrells Raisins, 1 Barrell of sugar, 1 hogshead of salt, ½ cask of wine. Moreover you are to load aboard the Brigandine called the —— [Joseph] whereof Edward Winslow is Master the like quantity of provisions as above expressed abating two barrells of Raisings & with two barrels of powder one in each vessell.

. You are also to take bills of lading of these goods and to bee



delivered to the Commissaries of the Army Theopholus Frary and John Moss or either of them.

Dated in Boston 28 June 1675

By the Council E. R. Sec'y.

And on page 211, same date:

Instructions to Edward Winslow, Master of the Joseph.

You are hereby ordered forthwith as wind and weather will permit with your vessell to sail to Swansey or as near thereunto as you may and there deliver to Left Theophilus Frary and John Morse, Commissaries for this Colony and the forces (now) under the conduct of Major Thomas Savage all such provisions Armes &c now on board you for the use of the army.

Signed John Leveret, Gov'.

It will be seen by this supply, that Massachuseetts then, as always since, showed a generous appreciation of the appetites of her soldiers. To the uninitiated the above bill of fare may not seem particularly inviting; but to any one who has been a soldier and knows the meaning of "pea-porridge-hot," the item "40 barrels of pease" will carry its own convictions. "Bisket, stripped fish and raisins," as marching rations, compare favorably, according to my experience, with the "hard-tack" and "salt-horse" furnished us by the U.S. Commissaries in 1861–5. I cannot testify to the "Rumme," as I belonged to a Maine regiment; but many times I have sat down by the camp-fire to a dipper of "peaporridge-hot" and a sop of bread, as to a royal feast.

In the line of the above information is this curious old paper in vol. 68, page 135. A "Committee's estimate of what Provisions &c will serve 500 souldiers one month." "Biskett 15", Porke 20 barrills, Beefe 30 barrills (or some think only Pork and send salt), Bacon 10°wt. Cheese 10°: Stockins & Shooes 200 pr each, Shirts & Draws 100 of each, Wastcoats 50, Walletts 100, 300 small baggs for each man to carry nokake, 300 bush oates, 100 bush barley, 50 bush Indian corne parched and beaten to nokake,

6 bar. powder, 12cwt shott, Flints 20ct."

It appears from the letter above of July 5th, that these two vessels had sailed before that date. From Hull's Journal, pages 10 and 11, which I have restored from the Ledger, the following credits are obtained:

August 20, 1675 Maritime Disbursements Dr to Viz.

Samuel Woodbury.1	03 00	01	Nathl Phillips.	01	10	00
Robert Breck.	01 - 05	00	Henry Rock als. Cock	01	10	00
Joshua Matson.	01 10	00	William Cantrell.	01	10	00

In Vol. II, Colonial History of New York, Holland Documents, I find by report of a council held at Fort William Hendrick, May 26, 1674, that "Capt. Cornells Ewoutse arrived here this day with his Snow the Zeltont, reports having captured three small New England prizes." One of these was the Sloop Swan, of which S and We slobury was master, who appeared and deslared that he lived at Swansey and was part ownered the Sloop, and that John Divy's wildow of swansey owned the other part, and that he was captured "near Frudence Island." The vessel, and cargo were conficuated by the New York Colony, but on June 29 following were released.



Nathaniel Gallop.	02 00 00	William Christian.	02 09 00
Thomas Alson.	01 10 00	Nathaniel. Huett.	02 09 00
William Hascall.	01 10 00	Redeemed. Scott.	02 09 00
Samuel Cross.	02 16 00	Simon Daniel.	$02 \ 09 \ 00$
John Kennedye Als.		Thomas Norton.	$02 \ 09 \ 00$
Cannede.	02 09 00	John Mane.	02 02 00
John Ball.	02 09 00	Edward Perkins.	03 19 00
Wil	liam Aldridg.	03 10 00	

The first nine in the above list I presume to have been the master and crew of the "Sloope Swanne;" the rest were probably on the "Brigandine" Joseph. Edward Winslow was master we know, and Samuel Winslow was of the crew of this vessel, as I find by this order of the Council, July 24th (Archives, vol. 67, page 226): "Ordered that Edward & Samuel Winslow, now on board the Brigandine be released to come home." By the letter of Capt. Henchman, published heretofore, it appears that he left this vessel at Pocasset on July 31st, when he went in pursuit of Philip, leaving five files of his men at Fort Leverett. And I infer that the vessel had left that place before August 9, when he was ordered by Gen. Denison to return and draw off the men, since he was to leave there such provisions and ammunition as "for want of carriage" he could not bring with him.

In regard to other matters referred to in the above letters, it will be seen that the statement, in the letter of July 5th, of forces sent, is simply a restatement of that in the former letter, and not, as might appear at first, additional forces sent to Taunton. No such additional forces and no other vessels were sent

at that time.

Capt. Edward Hutchinson was despatched to the forces at Mount Hope on July 3d, and paid £5.00.00 on that day by the Court's order. There went with him, as appears by the Journal credits, the following men:

Edward Hutchinson jun' 00	12	00	John Minott.	00	10	00
John Bennet. 00	19	00	Nathaniel Holmes.	00	10	00
Sam¹ Williams. 00	10	00	John Ruggles.	00	12	00
Hugh Clark. 00	10	0.0	Dec ^r 20. 1675			
John Pason. 00	10	00	James Barrett	00	12	00

The explanation of the passage in the letter of July 10th, relating that Capt. Hutchinson with about one hundred men went from our headquarters to the Narragansets, etc., is probably this: In their orders to Major Savage by Hutchinson, the Court doubtless left the details of the embassy to the discretion of the officers at Mount Hope, and they determined to march in full force. Hubbard relates that Capt. Mosely crossed over by water to attend Capt. Hutchinson in his despatch, the others going around. It is likely that Capt. Hutchinson sent back some of



his own men with the message of his departure, and from this

the Court made their report to Connecticut Colony.

The negotiations with the Mohegans, of whom Uncas was chief sachem, are of peculiar interest, but must be deferred to a separate chapter, with only brief allusion here. On the return of the six Indians referred to in the letter, Ephraim Curtis was sent to conduct them, taking along three Natick Indians, who volunteered to accompany him. They went by way of Marlborough, where, at the Indian fort, they were warned of the danger of the journey by the friendly Indians gathered there, and Curtis heard of the plundering of his own house at "Quansigamug" (Worcester) and was shown some of the plunder which the marauders, the Nipmucks, had brought thither, and thereupon the Naticks declined to go on unless more men were added to their force. Upon his application to the constables of Marlborough, two men with horses and arms were pressed for this service. These were John and James Barnard, who receive credit in the Journal under date of Sept. 14th, 1675. With this party he conducted the Mohegans safely home, and on his return sought out the Quabang sachems and had a romantic interview with them. A full account of this journey may be found in his long and interesting letter, of July 16th, to the Court, preserved in Mass. Archives, vol. 67, page 215. The result of the negotiations with Uncas was that he sent two of his sons to Boston as hostages, and his eldest son and successor, Oneko, with fifty men, to assist the English against Philip. These were sent to Plymouth Colony under the conduct of "Quartermaster Swift and a ply of horse," as Major Gookin relates. Their subsequent proceedings, joining with the Rehoboth men in the pursuit and battle with Philip, their brief service with Capt. Henchman and return home, have been related in a former article. The Mohegans got as wages the plunder they seized from Philip. Swift and his "ply of horse" were credited as follows, Sept. 16th, 1675:

				ΛΛ	07	06
Thomas Swift, Corporall. 00	13	06	Joseph Crosbey.			
	07		Thomas Smith.		07	
	07	06	Thomas Blighe.		07	
	07	06	Samuel Blighe.		07	06
	07	06	Sept 28th 1675			
	07	0.6	William Harris.	0.0	07	06
Dullidet II III.		06	Asaph Elliott.	00	07	06
Titalianici zidi		06	James Barrett.	00	07	06
THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TO THE PE		06	March 25th 1675	-6		
I HOME I OTTOM		06	Moses Pain.		07	06

Thomas Swift was the son of Thomas the Emigrant, from Yorkshire, Eng., who settled in that part of Dorchester which is now Milton. Married Elizabeth Vose, daughter of Robert. 9th



Dec. 1657, and had Thomas, Elizabeth, William, John, and Samuel. He died 31st Jan., 1718.

The other company of Indians that went out in this campaign was enlisted by Major Gookin from the various friendly tribes about Boston, agreeably to an order of the Court of July 2d, and to the number of fifty-two marched out of Boston on July 6th. under the conduct of Capt. Isaac Johnson, who delivered them to Major Savage at Mt. Hope, and then "returned back." Seventeen of these were with Capt. Henchman when he crossed from Pocasset to Providence, July 31st, in pursuit of Philip. Others were credited, as we have seen, under Capt. Prentice, the rest returned to their homes "after 25 days," according to Major Gookin. The popular prejudice against these Praying Indians seems to have extended to our early historians, who, except Gookin, seldom mention them or their service; and since they were not generally credited on the treasurer's book, it is extremely difficult to give a correct account of them. According to the testimony of Major Savage, Capts. Henchman and Prentice, "most of them acquitted themselves courageously and faithfully," and we know that the Mohegans, in company with the Rehoboth men, did the most effective fighting of the whole campaign.

We have noted the various elements that made up this expedition under Major Savage, and now, counting the regular forces that went out at first under Henchman, Prentice and Mosely as 250 men, and under Paige 35, we have but 285 men, 95 less than the number stated in the letter of June 28th. This seems a large number to allow as guards and attendants, but I think that some twenty-five or thirty men besides Paige's troop went out with Major Savage and joined the companies already there. It will be remembered that 121 men were credited under Capt. Henchman, nearly all of whom, after a diligent comparison of their credits and subsequent service, I conclude must have joined him as early as July 1st. And this reckoning still leaves a large margin for attendants and guards. The round number of "about 400" in the letter of July 5th may have included the men of Capt. Johnson, who conducted the 52 "Gookin" Indians, but not, I think, the Indians themselves. It is barely possible that the crews of the two vessels were counted, making about twenty men additional. The reference to "dragoons" is explained by the fact that Capt. Henchman's company was furnished with horses.

The "Guards and Carriage" account does not show an amount of expense corresponding to the large number apparently employed for that service, the total amount for the several campaigns up to January 25, 1675-6, being but £16.10.00. Some of the guards in his first expedition were charged directly to Plymouth Colony, those evidently who guarded the carts sent with ammunition, etc., to supply their wants. The following



were thus charged at £00.03s.00d. apiece for guarding their ammunition: Richard Smith, Thomas Lawrence, James Hoxly, James Montt, Ebenezer Hill.

And these are all that I can find credited as guards for this expedition, so that I must leave the discrepancy between the numbers that plainly appear from the Journal credits and other various sources, and the statement of the letter of June 28th, to be filled in by the number of officers, doctors, quartermasters and their attendants, and also allow for some who returned home sick or disabled, or else deserted and received no credit on the books, though reckoned in the statement of the Court. This campaign closed, as concerned Major Savage, when he returned to Boston

about July 20th.

Major Savage appears not to have been actively engaged in the war after this campaign until the following February, but in the mean time as an enterprising merchant, a town commissioner, captain of an important company of Boston militia, with charge of its training and the impressment of quotas for active service, the latter a difficult and trying matter, we can see that he was not idle. The situation of affairs in the colonies at the beginning of February, 1675-6, was somewhat as follows: The summer and autumn campaigns in the west had not made any material gain for the English except in experience; the Narraganset campaign had resulted in driving that tribe and the Mount Hope Indians to the north and west; their women, children and old people, that survived the Fort fight, were scattered about amongst the various tribes nearest them; Philip and his fighting men were thus left free to range up and down, overawing the smaller tribes, inciting the stronger to hostility against the colonies; his agents and friends were active in all the tribes; himself with a body of his men had retired as far as the woods above Albany, where they were supplied with abundance of arms and ammunition by the Dutch; as a wanderer and outlaw he had nothing further to lose and everything to gain by the war; the young men of the tribes looked upon him as a great leader, and were eager to follow him; large bodies of Indians were drawn together in various places: most of the Nipmucks, with some Narragansets, were encamped at Wenimesset (now New Braintree); many others from different tribes had gathered about Mount Wachuset; another large encampment was at Squakeag (Northfield) and beyond, whither many of the tribes about Springfield and Hadley had withdrawn. And all these made common cause with Philip, and were in an attitude of warfare. Thus Philip, at bay, and with nearly the whole force of the New England tribes in active sympathy with him, was far more dangerous than at Mount Hope. The English, on the other hand, were weary of the war which they had carried on for seven months, at immense expense of means and men, without apparent gain. The people in the frontier towns



were mostly withdrawn into garrisons, their homes broken up, farms laid waste, and they living in constant dread of the lurking enemy. Military skill and bravery could avail but little against the tactics of a skulking foe, who came when and where least expected, nearly always striking those least prepared, applying the torch, shooting from the safe covert of the woods, and, before effective resistance could be offered, vanishing again to the forests. The Indians were intimately acquainted with the habits and plans of the colonists and knew just when to strike and where, while the English knew nothing of their movements except from the friendly Indians, whom they mostly distrusted.

The English had many of these friendly Indians acting as spies and scouts, who circulated quite freely among Philip's allies, and brought intelligence of their plans; but their reports were often received with distrust, and the Council was slow to act upon them, and in many cases their neglect was followed by disaster. One of these spies, James Quannapohit, alias Rumneymarsh, after visiting the Nipmucks at Wenimesset, near Brookfield, brought word to Boston on January 24th, of the intended attack upon Lancaster and other towns, but too little heed was paid to his warning, and so these places were one by one attacked,

and several destroyed.

Such was the posture of affairs in February, 1675-6, when Philip was preparing to strike an effectual blow against the colonies. On February 6th, the army returning from the Narraganset country to Boston, was disbanded. On the 8th the Commissioners of the United Colonies voted to raise another army of six hundred men for a campaign in the west. No quota was required from Plymouth. On the 10th Lancaster was attacked by the Nipmucks. On the 15th Mosely and his company were ordered to Sudbury, and about that time Capt. Oakes with his troop was scouting from Lancaster to Medfield, and was at the latter place when it was assaulted on the 21st. On that day the Council voted to raise one hundred foot and seventy-two troopers to fill the Massachusetts quota of the proposed army. Major Savage was captain of this foot company, but when he was commissioned as commander of the Massachusetts troops on the 25th, his lieutenant, Benjamin Gillam, succeeded to that company's command. Capt. John Whipple was appointed to command the troopers, and Capt. William Turner marched out with another company of foot.

John Curtice and six friendly Indians from the Island were to serve as guides. The Massachusetts forces were ordered to march immediately to Brookfield, to join the Connecticut men under Major Treat, and Major General Denison was appointed commander-in-chief of the combined forces, and ordered to Marl-

borough to direct the movements of the army.

The Massachusetts forces joined those of Connecticut under



Major Treat on the 2d or 3d of March at Brookfield, and advanced to attack the Indians at Wenimesset, but the enemy, having intelligence of the design, fled before our troops arrived. Our dragoons, it is said, followed a part of these as far as Paguayag (Athol), where they crossed the river and escaped towards Northfield. Mrs. Rowlandson was with them a captive, in this retreat, and gives an account of the affair. They arrived at Northfield on March the 7th, went up the river and crossed to the west bank, where on the 9th they joined Philip and a large body of Indians encamped there. By this pursuit, and against the earnest advice of the Natick scouts, our army was diverted from the intention of attacking the Indians gathered near Mount Wachuset, and instead marched into Hadley on March 8th. Their coming, however, seems to have been opportune, as the evident design of the large force of Indians gathered near was upon the towns on the river. On the 9th they attacked Westfield with a small force, and on the 14th assaulted Northampton in full force, but were repulsed, Major Treat and the Connecticut forces having entered the town the evening before, and Capt. Turner's company being already stationed there. The further details of this expedition must be deferred to the future accounts of garrisons and the several captains and their companies.

In a letter of March 28th Major Savage gives the Council some account of his movements, of the attack upon the people at Longmeadow, of the withdrawal of the Connecticut forces, of the gathering of large numbers of Indians about Deerfield and Northfield, and the danger threatening those towns. This letter is in

the Mass. Archives, vol. 68, page 189.

The following letter of the Council to Major Savage shows something of the closing movements of this campaign, and is copied in full from the original in Mass. Archives, vol. 68, page 191. It is dated 1st April, '76.

Mair Savage,

Wee received your letters by the post dated 28th of march and perceive both by vors and Mr. Nowel's letters that Coneticut forces are drawne of & that by reason of the numerousnes of the enimy (according to yor information) you are not in a capacity to pursue ym, also you intimate ye feares of the people of these townes y' in case you bee drawne of wth yor forces yt they wilbe in danger to be destroyed by the enimy allso wee understand that the townes are unwilling to attend our advise to draw into a narrow compass whereby wee conceved they would have been able to deffend themselves better, but Northampton desires more soldiers to be added to yer former number, they offer to mayntayne all soldiers both for wages and victuall the result of the Council touching this matter is y' wee are willing for present that you leave soldiers to assist those townes not exceeding 150 men choosing such as are fittest for that service and as neare as you can All single men Leaving Capt. Turner in Capt Poole place; with the Rest of the Army we exp^{sly} comand you to draw homeward & endeav in y returne to visit



y enimy about Backquake & bee careful not to bee Deseved by yer lapwing stratagems: by alrawing you of from y nest to follow some men; Butt if Maj Treat and the Conetecut forces should returne & vt it be advisable to march after ye enimy to Dearfeld &c. wee leave you to you

*and you are thereby Incapacitated to further acca by reason of numerousnes or flight of vo enimy.

liberty to act as you shall judge Best; but if ye Conetect men returne not or after a returne draw of again,* then or expesse order is to bee upon yor march homewards & in vor returne to endevor to visit the enimy as in or past was expressed; If you should

not meet with the enimy then we order you to retreat to Marlborow and wait their for further orders**

**from them sent in another letter to him as news by order & both signed 18 April 76. E. R. Sec'y, by ord

Wee have latle sent Capt. Gravs of Charlestown with about 50 men and 30 horses laden with provisions & Ammunition to Quabauge ordering him to take ye charge of yt

Garrison for p'sent and to returne ye horses & men wth St Ingram, so y' wee wilbe sufficiently recruited wth ammunition at ye fort at Quabauge, touching that Rebuke of God upon Capt Whiple and ye poore people at Springfield it is matter of great shame and humbling to us. The inteligence by the woonded woman of what ye enimy said to her; wee have reason to aprehend much of it is false & yt they have not such numbers at Dearefield neither are the Narragansetts or Nipmucks there; or Reasons are because at this preent time & before yor letter were dated a great Boddy of Indians and wee conceive they are Narragansetts have done great mischeif at Secuncke and Providence neare Secuncke upon last Lorday Capt Peirce with about 100 English & indians Ingaged with a great body of them about 5 miles from Secunke neare Mr Blackston the consequent of weh fight was yt Peirce was slaine and 51 English more with him & 11 Indians yt Assisted him their escaped of ye whole company not above 7 or 8 English & ye rest the enimy tooke all y arms and two horse loads with provisions; there was a great body of indians as ye escaped report & environed ym Round Capt. Peirce with a smaler pty had a skirmish with about 50 of them ve day before and did ym mischeife & came of without loss wth [sic] On the same Lord day another party of indians assalted Malborow in ye time of afternone execise they burnt 13 deserted houses & 11 barns at yttime & 3 men were wounded. The towne of Lancaster is wholly deserted Groton can abide no longer y" untill carts bee sent to bring y" wch will bee next weeke, Chelmsford wee feare will bee soone nessecated to do ye like & what Meadfeld and other fronters towns may shortly bee put upon ye Lord know, these things considered you may see the Nessecity of having o' Army nearer to us this day wee had intelligence of ye enimies assaulting and burning Providence and Rehobath: They earnestly sent for succor but we have ym not we have now about 700 men out in those westward parts at Marlboroh and or other fronters and wee are at a plunge where to raise more & kepe the heart in any competent safty. Thus committing you to God desiring his presence with & protection over you wee Remaine

Wee have sent out a single Indian from ye Island to carry A letter to ye enimy aboute redemption of Captives, hee [is] ordered to carry a flag of truce if hee come into your Army let him bee returned in safty.



The following are the credits given under Major Savage, whose company in this campaign, from February, 1675-6, to May, was under the immediate command of Lieut. Gillam:

April 24th 1676			01	10	00
	00 18 00		02		
William Pasmore.	00 18 00		04		
James Hughes.	00 18 00		01		
June 24th 1676.			02		
Joseph Pollard.	02 01 00		02		
	03 07 00	Thomas Savage, Mojor.	28		
Maurice Truelove.	01 16 00	John Williams.	02	02	00
Richard Keates.	02 02 00	James Chevers.	02	02	00
Phillip Bullis.	01 09 00	Daniel Landon.	02	02	00
Zibeon Letherland.	02 02 00	Richard Beffer.		16	
Joseph Shaw.	02 02 00	Joshuah Hughes.		03	
Joseph Gannett.	02 02 00	Francis Shepheard.		08	
Thomas Clark.	01 12 06	Thomas Dure.	02	02	00
Samuel Douse.	02 02 00	William Pollard.		02	
Zekery Fowle.	02 10 00	John Marsh.		02	
James Boone.	02 02 00	Robert Smith.		02	
John Mulbery.	03 07 00	John Wiswall.	04	11	00
Gilbert Cole.	02 04 00	James Lowden.		07	
David Rainsford.	02 06 00	John Sage.		13	
Joseph Andrews.	02 02 00	Thomas Chapman.	01	19	04
Richard Scott.	03 07 00	July 24th 1676			
Henry Phillips.	02 02 00	Samuel Rigbey.		14	
Richard Woody.	$02 \ 09 \ 06$	Richard Woods.	02	01	0.0
Benjamin Gillam, Lieut.	$05 \ 15 \ 00$	Joseph Pecke.	02	13	00
Samuel Rust.	$02 \ 02 \ 00$	Benjamin Badcock.	03	07	
John Hand.	01 16 10	John Alger.	01	03	
Samuel Meares.	02 09 00	William Gerrish.	06	11	
John Hull.	09 06 00	George Abbott.		02	
James Hughes.	$02 \ 02 \ 00$	Christopher Cole.	01		00
Nathaniel Richards.	$03 \ 07 \ 00$	Charles Blinco	01		
Henry Cooke.	01 18 06	John Mansell.	01		
John Goff.	$02 \ 02 \ 00$	Thomas Wright.	02		
Thomas Read.	01 13 04	John Sargent.	01	17	08
Moses Pain.	$02 \ 11 \ 04$	August 24th 16	76		
Benjamin Burges.	$02 \ 12 \ 02$	John Wells, jr. (Weld)	01	16	
John Chapman.	$02 \ 02 \ 00$	Jonathan Barker.		02	
Samuel Bill.	$02 \ 02 \ 00$	James Brayley.		03	
Edmund Gage.	$02 \ 02 \ 00$	William Stratton.		02	
Ezekiel Levitt.	02 01 00	Thomas Howard.		10	
Manasses Beck.	$02 \ 09 \ 00$	Thomas Emes, als. Eame	s.01	08	04
John Figg.	$02 \ 01 \ 00$	Joseph Knight.	02	02	00
Benjamin Thurston.	03 03 00	Sept. 23 ^d			
Joseph Newell.	01 18 06	Henry Willis.		. 16	
Richard Rogers.	06 17 00	John Ruggles.		2 07	
Simon Rogers.	02 00 02	Richard Snowden.	01	16	00

In accordance with his instructions Major Savage withdrew



his troops about April 7th, leaving one hundred and fifty-one men with Capt. Turner to garrison the towns, and with four companies under Capts. Mosely and Whipple, and Lieutenants Gillam and Edward Drinker, marched homeward. On arriving at Brookfield a council of war was held to consider the later orders from the Council, advising an attack upon the Indians at Mt. Wachuset, but it was decided not advisable. (The officers had learned by experience the futility of pursuing the enemy with an army.) The expedition of Major Savage thus closed. The troops were either returned to Boston or engaged in other service, and there appear no further credits under his name. Accounts of Capts. Whipple and Turner are to be given hereafter, also of other officers mentioned in the letters. In Mass. Archives, vol. 68, page 203, there is an order of the Council to Gen. Denison to inspect the army returned under Major Savage, and discharging those unfitted for service to dispose of the rest as he shall judge best. The order was dated April 10, 1676.

It seems that Mr. Samuel Nowell, chaplain, was a member of the council-of-war, and voted to march to Wachuset, but the officers Mosely, Whipple, Gillam and Drinker voted against it on the ground of insufficient supplies and sickness among the

troops. See Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 235.



CAPT. THOMAS WHEELER AND HIS MEN; WITH CAPT. EDWARD HUTCHINSON AT BROOKFIELD.

THE genealogy of the Wheelers of Concord is a difficult problem, from the fact that as early as 1640-1 no less than seven heads of families of that name were in town, viz., George, Joseph and Obadiah among the first settlers. Ephraim, Thomas and Timothy settled in 1639, and a second Thomas who appears in 1640-1. All published accounts are defective, but the long and careful research of Mr. George Tolman, of Concord, has done much to clear up the mystery. By a diligent comparison of Mr. Tolman's papers, kindly loaned me, with all I am able to glean from other sources, I derive the following account.

Thomas Wheeler, first mentioned, removed to Fairfield, Connecticut, in 1644; his son Thomas settled on the farm he left in Concord, and married a wife Sarah before 1649. Mr. Savage erroneously identifies this latter with the Captain. But of Capt. Thomas, we know that he was the brother of Timothy, who mentions in his will, probated Sept. 7th, 1687, "Joseph, Ephraim and Deliverance my brother Thomas his sons." He married Ruth, daughter of William Wood, and from the record of deaths in Concord we find some account of their children. Alice died March 17, 1641; Nathaniel died January 9, 1676-7; Thomas died Jan. 17, 1676-7; Ephraim February 9, 1689. Joseph and Deliverance, mentioned in Timothy's will, were probably the sole survivors of the parents. It is possible that James Wheeler, who married Sarah Randall in 1682 and settled in Stow, was a son of Capt. Thomas and Ruth. "Capt. Thomas Wheeler, husband of Ruth, died Dec. 10, 1676." Ruth the widow administered upon his estate next year. Their son Joseph, in 1677, administered upon the estates of his brothers Thomas and Nathaniel. The estate of Thomas consisted of "a horse, pistols, cutlash and gun," and was prized at £6 12s. This was the Captain's son who saved his father's life at the fight in Brookfield. The son Joseph married Mary Powers and settled in Stow, Mass. Deliverance married Mary Davis, and also settled in Stow. Capt. Thomas was admitted freeman in 1642, was sergeant of the foot company of Concord in 1662, was appointed, at its organization in 1669, captain of the horse company, made up of troopers from several adjoining towns. He was in command of



this company in July, 1675, when it was called into the service of which some account is to be given. Of this the main facts are gathered from the very interesting "narrative" which he published in 1675, within a few months after the service was rendered. The title of this pamphlet has been transcribed by the kindness of A. C. Goodell, Jr., Esq., from a copy of the original edition belonging to the Essex Institute, which copy is bound up with the Rev. Peter Bulkeley's Sermon, and was perhaps published with it. It is as follows:

A True Narrative Of the Lord's Providences in various dispensations towards Captain Edward Hutchinson of Boston and my self, and those that went with us into the Nipmuck Country, and also to Quabaug, alias Brookfield. The said Captain Hutchinson having a Commission from the Honoured Council of this Colony to Treat with several Sachems in those parts, in order to the publick peace and my self being also ordered by the said Council to accompany him with part of my Troop for Security from any danger that might be from the Indians: and to Assist him in the Transaction of matters committed to him.

Of this valuable publication contemporary historians availed themselves. Mr. Hubbard evidently used it freely and followed it fully in his account. Major Gookin refers to and quotes from it in his "History of the Praying Indians." But Rev. Nathan Fiske, pastor of the Third Church in Brookfield, who preached a centennial historical sermon in 1775 (which was published in 1776), seems not to have known of it, but follows Gov. Hutchinson's history, who himself evidently had never seen it, at least does not notice it. And Rev. Joseph I. Foot delivered a Historical Discourse on Thanksgiving Day, November 7, 1828 (published first in the same year), which discourse (says the Editor of the enlarged edition of 1843) was compiled by the author "after much inquiry and laborious research," and yet Mr. Foot seems to have been entirely ignorant of the existence of the "narrative," and makes no mention of Capt. Wheeler, leaving the natural inference that he could hardly have read either Hulbard's, Mather's or Gookin's History. The edition of 1843 contains "Wheeler's narrative" in full; and by the Editor's statement and a letter from Lemuel Shattuck, of Concord, it seems that Mr. Foot became aware of the existence of the pamphlet but did not receive it from Mr. Shattuck, who possessed two copies, until July, 1829, some time after his discourse was published, and even then Mr. Shattuck appears not to have known that the N. H. Historical Society had published the "Narrative" in their Collections two years before, with valuable annotations. In the edition of 1843, however, the Editor plainly used the publication of the N. H. Society, word for word title, introduction, notes and all, without addition or omission, though omitting to make acknowledgment of the same. On July



4th, 1860, in his oration at the Bi-Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Brookfield, Rev. Lyman Whiting gives a complete and eloquent account of the fight and subsequent defence of the garrison by Wheeler's troopers. And later Mr. H. E. Waite has made valuable investigations and has kindly furnished assistance, advice and material to the present writer, while the late Rev. J. H. Temple has made exhaustive researches, going over the whole ground and making a complete and detailed history of the whole affair in his "History of North Brookfield;" publishing this account by Capt. Wheeler in full.

It may be in order here to recall the situation of affairs and some of the circumstances that led up to this expedition to

Brookfield.

Having been twice warned of the designs of Philip, and his efforts to stir up the various chiefs of the Nipmucks, by Waban, the ruler of the Christian Indians at Natick, the Council at last began to realize that something ought to be done. And so, on June 13, 1675, an embassy was sent to the Quabaugs and the Nipmuck tribes to discover their intentions.

The messengers visited the various Indian towns of Pakachoog, Maanexit, Wabaquasset, Quantisset, Chabonokongkomun, Manchaug and Hassanamesit, and received satisfactory promises from all the rulers of these towns that they would remain faithful to the interests of the English. From the Quabaugs they received the following document, still preserved in the Archives.

The Ruler of Quabage being examined by us where his men were: he said they were at home. Then we asked him whether there were none of them gone to help King Philip to fight against the English of Plymouth; he said No; and neither would he help him: for he has been false to him already, and, therefore, I will not help him: but I will still continue our subjection unto the English of the Massachusetts Colony; neither will I suffer any of my men to go and help him; and in confirmation of the same I do set my hand, 25: 4: 75.

Conkeaseogau, alias Conkganasco.

The sachems who signed these agreements, for all were of the same purport, meant doubtless, to keep them. They were not aware that war had already begun at Mount Hope. And when Philip with his war-party came amongst them, they were at first inclined to stand aloof. But the war fever soon spread among the young braves, and Philip's agents went about sowing the seeds of disaffection, and making promises of great things to be done by the general uprising of all the tribes. Philip made presents of wampum to several of these chiefs; and by the middle of July, four at least of them were in the great general war camp at Meminimisset, where Ephraim Curtis found them, on his first visit. This Ephraim Curtis was an important personage in the negotiations at this time and in the subsequent events.



He was the son of Henry, of Sudbury, about thirty-three years old at this time, a notable scout and hunter, well versed in Indian ways, and intimately acquainted with many of these tribes. He was also a trader, and had a house at Quansigamug (Worcester).

He gives a detailed and interesting account of this visit, to the Council. This account was published in full, in the "History of North Brookfield," by Rev. J. H. Temple. By this account it appears that Curtis was employed by the Council to go into the Indian country about Quabaug, and find out all he could about their present condition and probable designs.

Three Christian Indians, from Natick, volunteered to go with him, and when he arrived at Marlboro', the constable there furnished him with two men, mounted and equipped, and there also

another Indian volunteered with him.

At Marlboro' he heard that his house at Quansigamug had been plundered, and that Mattoonas, the Nipmuck chief, with a large war-party, and some of Philip's men, was raiding the country to the southward. Holding their course through Brookfield, they came after several days to a place where the great body of the Indians were gathered. He says "These Indians have newly begun to settle themselves upon an Island containing about four acres of ground, being compassed around with a broad mirey swamp on the one side, and a muddy river with meadow on both sides of it on the other side, but only one place that a horse could possibly pass, and there with a great deal of difficulty by reason of the mire and dirt."

The savages were in an ugly temper, and it was with much trouble that he finally prevailed upon them to listen to his message, the Indians in his company pleading earnestly for him. At last he gained speech with the Sachems and found them to be Muttaump, Konkganasco, Willymachen, Upchattuck, Keehood, and Noncatonsoo. Of these Muttaump, the Sachem of Quabaug, was leader. Curtis judged that there were about two hundred warriors at the place. His conference with these Indians was on July 14th, and on that same day Mattoonas had attacked Mendon, and killed five men at work in the fields. This report of Curtis was made to the Council on July 16th, and greatly disturbed them, so that Curtis was at once despatched back to the Indians, with a message and with letters to Major Pynchon at Springfield. He returned from this second trip on July 24th, and reported that he was well received by the Indians who were at the same place, and that they had promised to send Keehood and another of the Sachems to Boston within four or five days to speak with the Governor. The Council, however, did not wait for this time to elapse, but determined to send a larger force to confer with the Indians, so as to enforce their demands if necessary. But they entirely misjudged the strength and temper of the savages, and were deluded by their supposed knowledge that Philip was securely shut up in the swamp at Pocasset.



At a meeting of the Council on July 26th, Capt. Thomas Wheeler, of Concord, was summoned to appear at Boston next day at ten o'clock, with twenty of his troop, to receive further orders.

Capt. Edward Hutchinson was also called into service again, and on the 26th the following commission was issued to him.

(Mass. Arch., vol. 67, p. 228).

Boston 27. July 1675

The Council beeing informed yt the narraganset indians are come downe with about one hundred Armed men into the Nipmuck country, Do order you Capt Edward Hutcheson, to take with you Capt Thomas Wheler & his party of horse with Ephraim Curtis for a guide & a sufficient interpreter, & forthwith to repaire into those parts & ther Laubour to get a right understanding of the motions of the Narraganset indians & of ye indians of Nipmuck: and for that end to demand of the leaders of ye narraganset Indians an acc'ot of ye grouns of yer marching in ye country & require to understand the orders of their Sachems, And also to demand an Account of the Nipmuck Indians why they have not sent downe their Sagamore according to their promise unto or messenger Ephraim Curtis, —— And further let v^m know v^t wee are informed that there are some among them y' have actually joyned with our enemies in the murder & spoyle made upon the English by Philip, And that Matoones & his Complices who have Robed & Murdered our people about Mendon are now among ym And yt wee require them to deliver up to you or forthwith bring in to us those our enemies, otherwise wee must Looke at them to bee no friends to us, but ayders and abettors [sic] and unto all these things you shall require ver expresse answer; & as soon as you have dispatched the affayre, you are to returne home & give us an acct, so desiring the Lords prisence with you & in prosecution of this affayre if you should meet with any Indians that stand in opposition to you or declare y selves to bee yor enemies then you are ordered to ingage with them if you see reson for it & endeav' to reduce ym by force of Arms.

"Capt. Edward Hutchinson was the eldest son of William and Ann, and came to this country from England with his uncle Edward Hutchinson, probably in September, 1633, a year before his parents came. His family were much interested in the civilization of the Indians, and were widely known amongst them. Capt. Edward owned a large farm in the Nipmuck country, and had employed several of the sachems in tilling it. He was popular with the Indians, experienced in military matters, trusted by the colony, and had several times been sent to treat with different tribes, and was but lately returned from the treaty with the Narragansets."

Such was the situation when, as we learn from Capt. Wheeler's narrative above mentioned, he, with about twenty of his troop, reported to the Council as commanded, and with Capt. Hutchinson marched, on July 28th, from Cambridge to Sudbury, and thence the next three days into the Nipmuck Country. They



marched to within two miles of New Norwich, and finding all the Indians had fled from their towns, and meeting with but a few stragglers here and there, who fled from them, they marched back to Brookfield, arriving there Sunday, August 1st, and hearing of Indians in great force about ten miles away, they sent out four men to treat with them. One of these was Ephraim Curtis (as I find by his testimony in the trial of the Wabaquassa Indian, Poquahow, for being engaged in the assault upon Capt. Hutchinson and the rest), two I think were Brookfield men, and the fourth was probably one of the Indian guides. They met the Indians about eight miles from Brookfield in a swamp, and after the young warriors had blustered and threatened a long time, their sachems agreed to meet Capt. Hutchinson and his party next day at 8 o'clock at a plain three miles from Brookfield. Capt. Hutchinson, accompanied by the troopers, scouts and three of the "chief men" of Brookfield went to the place appointed; but no Indians appeared. Whereupon the officers suspected treachery, and were earnestly warned by the Indian guides not to go on; but the Brookfield men were so confident of the good faith of the Nipmueks, and urged so hard, that at last they prevailed, and the party marched on.

As Capt. Wheeler relates the story:

"The said Capt. Hutchinson, who was principally entrusted with the matter of Treaty with them, was thereby encouraged to proceed and march forward towards a swamp where the Indians then were. When we came near the said swamp, the way was so very bad that we could march only in a single file, there being a very rocky hill on the right hand, and a thick swamp on the left, in which there were many of those cruel blood-thirsty heathen, who there waylaid us, waiting an opportunity to cut us off; there being also much brush on the side of the said hill, where they lay in ambush to surprise us. When we had marched there about sixty or seventy rods, the said perfidious Indians sent out their shot upon us as a shower of hail, they being (as was supposed) about two hundred men or more. We seeing ourselves so beset, and not having room to fight, endeavored to fly for the safety of our lives. In which flight we were in no small danger to be all cut off, there being a very miry swamp, into which we could not enter with our horses to go forwards. and there being no safety the way we came, because many of their company, who lay behind the bushes, and had let us pass by them quietly; when others had shot, they came out and stopt our way back, so that we were forced as we could to get up the steep and rocky hill; but the greater our danger was, the greater was God's mercy in the preservation of so many of us from sudden destruction. Myself being gone up part of the hill without any hurt, and perceiving some of my men to be fallen by the enemies' shot, I wheeled about upon the Indians not calling on my men



who were left to accompany me, which they in all probability would have done had they known of my return upon the enemy. They fired violently from the swamp, and from behind the bushes on the hillside and wounded me sorely, and shot my horse under me, so that he faultering and falling, I was forced to leave him, divers of the Indians being then but a few rods distant from me. My son Thomas Wheeler flying with the rest of the company missed me amongst them, and fearing that I was either slain or much endangered, returned towards the swamp again, though he had then received a dangerous wound in the reins, where he saw me in the danger aforesaid. Whereupon he endeavoured to rescue me showing himself therein a loving and dutiful son, he adventuring himself into great peril of his life to help me in that distress, there being many of the enemies about me, my son set me on his own horse and so escaped awhile on foot himself, until he caught a horse whose rider was slain, on which he mounted, and so through God's great mercy we both escaped. But in this attempt at my deliverance he received another dangerous wound by their shot in his left arm. were then slain to our great grief eight men, viz.: Zechariah Phillips, of Boston, Timothy Farlow, of Billericay, Edward Colborn, of Chelmsford, Samuel Smedly, of Concord, Sydrach Hapgood, of Sudbury, Serjeant Eyres, Serjeant Prichard, and Corporal Cov, the inhabitants of Brookfield, aforesaid. There were also five persons wounded, viz.: Captain Hutchinson, myself and my son Thomas, as aforesaid; Corporal French, who having killed an Indian, was (as he was taking up his gun) shot, and part of his thumb taken off, and also dangerously wounded through the body near the shoulder; the fifth was John Waldoe, of Chelmsford, who was not so dangerously wounded as the rest. They also then killed five of our horses, and wounded some more, which soon died after they came to Brookfield."

Thus far Capt. Wheeler's account is quoted directly. He then tells of their retreat back to the town, "as fast as the badness of the way and the weakness of our wounded would permit, we being then ten miles from it." There is little doubt that in this retreat the surviving members of the company were saved by the sagacity and fidelity of the two Indian guides, Sampson and Joseph Robin, sons of old Robin Petuhanit, a faithful Christian Indian. These two led them around by a way they knew, but unknown to any of the English, all the Brookfield

men being killed.

The popular prejudice against the Christian Indians is here illustrated, in the fact, that Capt. Wheeler was fully aware of the good service of these guides, and yet here gives them no credit for this nor for the urgent warning against entering the swamp. He afterwards gave them a certificate, testifying to this service. These two were afterwards so unjustly used by some of



the people that they were driven to join the fortunes of the hostile Indians, to save their lives. Sampson was killed by some English scouts near Wachuset, and Joseph was captured and sold into slavery in the West Indies. George Memecho was the third Indian guide with Capts. Wheeler and Hutchinson at Brookfield, and he was captured and kept prisoner for some time but finally returned and gave intelligent information of the condition of affairs among the hostile Indians. From Capt. Wheeler's further narration and from other authentic sources, we learn that after a circuitous and difficult march of ten miles the company came into Brookfield town, spreading the alarm among the inhabitants. There they at once seized and hastily fortified one of the largest and strongest houses, said to have been the Inn of Sergt.

John Avres, just slain in the fight.

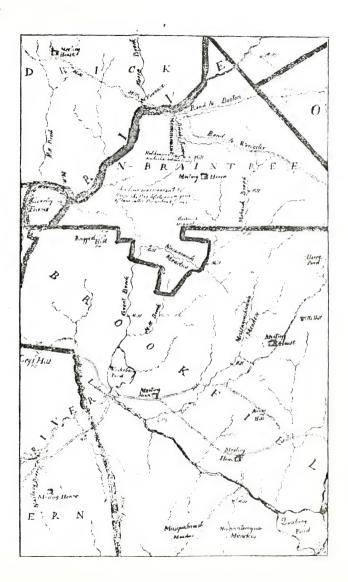
The alarm spread through the town, and the inhabitants immediately left their own houses and fled to the house held by the troopers; in their fear, bringing very little with them, either of food or clothing. Capt. Wheeler, finding himself, by reason of his wound, unable to conduct the defence of the garrison, appointed to that office Simon Davis, of Concord, James Richardson and John Fiske, of Chelmsford. Within two hours after they returned to the town, the Captains sent out Ephraim Curtis, and Henry Young of Concord, to carry news of the disaster to the Council at Boston, but in this time the Indians had crept warily about the town, and were found by the messengers pillaging the outlying houses. Finding the way encompassed and the whole force of the enemy closing in upon them, the messengers returned to warn the garrison. Immediately the Indians came swarming upon them with fierce volleys and loud shoutings, "sending in their shots amongst us like hail through the walls." But one man, Henry Young, above mentioned, was killed, and that in the evening while looking out from the garret window; and a son of William Pritchard (slain at the fight in the morning), who had ventured out of the garrison to fetch some things from his father's house still standing near by, was killed just as he was leaving the house to return, and his head was cut off and tossed about in view of the English, and then set upon a pole against the door of his father's house. All night they besieged the house fiercely, till about three o'clock in the morning August 3d, when they collected hav and other combustibles, and attempted to set the house on fire at the corner. Under cover of their comrades' muskets, a party promptly rushed out in the face of the enemies' bullets, and put it out. Only two of these were wounded. At this time, at Capt. Wheeler's request, Ephraim Curtis made an attempt to get away through the lines to carry a message, but failed; but near morning he tried again and succeeded by creeping a long distance on his hands and knees to elude the Indians, and after a day and night, fainting with hunger and fatigue,



reached Marlborough on August 4th. But the news of the destruction of Brookfield had preceded him, carried by some people who were travelling towards Connecticut, and coming to Brookfield and seeing the burning houses and the killing of some cattle, turned back and spread the alarm at Marlborough, and a post was immediately sent after Major Willard who was to march that day from Lancaster to Groton. The messengers overtook him already upon the march, and upon receipt of the message he promptly turned his force of forty-six soldiers and five Indians under Capt. James Parker of Groton, towards Brookfield.

In the mean time the Indians kept up their furious assault upon the garrison, trying by every art to fire the house through all the day and night, August 3d, which the English succeeded in preventing, without injury, except to one Thomas Wilson, who was wounded while venturing into the yard outside to draw water. On August 4th, the enemy having received large reinforcements. proceeded to fortify the meeting-house near by, and also the barn belonging to the besieged house, to protect themselves from the watchful aim of the English muskets. They filled a cart "with flax, hay and candlewood, and set up planks fastened to the cart against our shot." This they designed to wheel against the house, under cover for the night. And later, they invented a machine-of-war, of a style unheard of before or since in warfare. It was a sort of trundling wheel-barrow fourteen rods long, a pole thrust through the heads of a barrel for a front wheel, and for a body long poles spliced together at the ends and laid upon short cross-poles, and lashed to the fore axle and truckle wheels placed under at intervals. They constructed two of these centipede-like carriages and loaded the fronts with quantities of combustibles, such as hay, flax and "candle wood." These were scarcely completed, however, when a heavy shower fell and wet down their combustibles, so that they would not readily burn, and in the mean time Major Willard and his force arrived, and so intent were the Indians about the machines, that his company, coming about an hour after dark, gained the yard of the garrisoned house before the enemy perceived them. There was a large body of Indians posted about two miles away, on the road by which the Major's company had come, and another party of over one hundred in a house nearer the garrison. The outpost had let the company pass unharmed, depending upon those nearer to strike the blow; and these latter depending upon the others for an alarm, which either was not given, or else, in the excitement of building the machines, they did not hear, both missed the opportunity of attack. As soon as they saw their mistake they attacked the Major's party with fury, but without much avail, and all were soon safely within the house. The Indians seeing their devices defeated and the garrison reinforced, set fire to the barn and meeting-house, and in the early morning of August 5th, withdrew.







Such is Capt. Wheeler's account, in brief, of the famous encounter at the Quabaug Swamp, and the subsequent defence of Brookfield. And I have followed his account thus fully and at some length, because most of the published accounts that I have seen have either conflicted with his or have been otherwise

misleading.

As to the locality where the above surprise, and almost massacre, took place, there has been much interesting discussion within the last ten years. Two places seem to answer very closely the conditions of the account of Capt. Wheeler and the others, whose testimony has been used in the matter. One of these places is situated in the north-westerly part of New Braintree, where was an ancient Indian town called Meminisset, afterwards Wenimisset. Dr. L. R. Paige, D.D., of Cambridge, advocates this location, and by an able and convincing array of facts and arguments, in the "New England Historical and Genealogical Register" of October, 1884, leads to the conclusion that the scene of the tragic affair was just east of Wenimisset Meadows, near what is now known as "Brookside Farm." The other location mentioned, is the ravine near the New Braintree and Brookfield line, some two and a half miles from Wickabaug Pond.

This location is advocated by the Rev. J. H. Temple, late of Framingham, author of the History of North Brookfield, above mentioned. In his volume he brings forward equally strong and convincing proofs and arguments in favor of his location. Both these gentlemen are eminent authorities in antiquarian research; both are equally earnest in their convictions; both reason from the same evidences in general, viz. "Wheeler's Narrative," the testimony of the various reports of Ephraim Curtis, Mrs. Rowlandson, the Indian guide, George Memicho, and others, but each interprets these witnesses as proving his own theory. I am free to say that reading the arguments of both again and again, I am unable to decide which is the most probable site of the encounter.

But fortunately there has been new light shed upon the affair from an unexpected quarter. In 1893, an ancient map of a tract of country, covering this very territory, was brought to light from the unpublished manuscript treasures of the Massachusetts Historical Society, by Dr. Samuel A. Green, and published in fac-

simile in the "Proceedings" of the Society for that year.

This map is entitled "A New Plan of Several Towns in the County of Worcester," and bears date of March 30, 1785. It was the work of General Rufus Putnam, at that time of Rutland, but formerly of New Braintree, a distinguished surveyor, a skilful and painstaking artist, as this plan proves. The feature about this map of special interest to us here is the fact that it locates "Meminimisset," and the swamp to the east, and here is found the inscription, "Hutchinson & Troop Ambushed between Swamp & Hill."



This evidence would seem to confirm definitely the conclusions of Dr. Paige, and settle the location positively at Meminimisset. (Wenimisset). It certainly shows that in 1785, that spot was known as the scene of the struggle. By the courtesy of the Mass. Historical Society I am able to present this ancient plan in

part to my readers.

The Nipmuck tribes were alone concerned in this attack upon Brookfield; the Quabaugs, Wabbaquassets and Nashaways, being the chief. Philip left Pocasset Swamp July 31st, and with a small number of his warriors arrived at "Quabaug Old Fort" on Thursday, August 5th. By a letter from Major John Pynchon. of Springfield, to Gov. Winthrop of Connecticut, we learn that Philip was settled with his band on August 7th, not far from Meminimisset; and that Philip's brother was there, and Mattaloos (Mattoonas) also with some two hundred men. George Memicho. the Indian captive taken at Brookfield, relates that Philip brought about forty men with him, and "many more women and children." About thirty of his men had guns, the rest bows and On their return from Brookfield, the victorious Nipmucks told Philip of their exploit, and he gave three of the Sagamores, Apequinash, Quanansit and Mattaump, about a peck of unstrung wampum apiece. Philip told the Indians that when he came from Pocasset he had about two hundred and fifty men in his company, besides women and children, including Weetam no and her company; but now they had gone by themselves, and some were killed. He also said that if Capt. Henchman had pursued him closely, he must have been taken with his whole company. After this Philip and his company seem to have disappeared from this vicinity. But the affair at Brookfield had stirred up the Pocumptucks and other River Indians so that they were ripe for the scenes which ensued along those river towns, in which Philip apparently had small part.

On August 7th fresh forces arrived from Boston, and all remained at the garrison till the 10th day, when Capts. Hutchinson and Wheeler, with all of their company that were able to travel, came away and arrived at Marlborough on August 14th. Capt. Hutchinson died there of his wounds on the 19th, and was buried the next day. Capt. Wheeler and the remnants of his company remained there until the 21st, when they returned

home to Concord.

Of those who were engaged in this affair, the following received credit for military service under Capt. Thomas Wheeler:

Sept. 15, 1675				, Simon Davis.	03	08	16
Samson Robin.	00	13	08	John Buttrick.	03	01	(0)
Joseph Robin.	00	13	08	Oet. 19th			
Sept. 28th				George Howard.	01	03	03
Benjamin Graves.	02	16	04	John Hartwell.	01	11	06



John French, Corp.	7 ()4	00	Sidrach Hongood.	00	10	00
John Kittery (Kitteridg).0	3 (80	06	November 30th	0.0	10	00
	0 1	14	00	John Waldoe.	04	00	00
James Paddison. 0	1	14	08	John Fisk.	01	14	09
John Bates. 0	1 1	14	03	Jan'y 25, 1675-6			0.0
Simon Howard. 0	1 1	10	00	James Richardson.	02	02	00
Samuel Smedly. 0	0 1	14	00				0.0

Besides these credited above, there are several mentioned in the "Narrative" and elsewhere, who doubtless belonged to Captain Wheeler's troop - Zechariah Phillips, Timothy Farlow and Edward Coleburn, killed at the ambuscade, and Henry Young killed at the garrison. These with young Thomas Wheeler, make up the number to twenty-one, besides the guides. In Rev. John Russell's list of men killed in Hampshire County, I find the name of James Hovey, killed at Brookfield, August 2. There is no other authority for the statement. The name occurs after that of Capt. Hutchinson, and it may be that he, like Capt. H., died of injuries received at the fight or garrison. Ephraim Curtis was credited as directly in the service of the Council, £2 for his service. It will be noticed that neither Capt. Wheeler nor his son receive credit in the treasurer's account, but it is seen by two items in the Court Records first, October 13th, 1675, in answer to his petition setting forth his necessities, that he receives ten pounds, and again in October, 1676, for his own and his son's service, he is credited full wages for both from the time they left their own homes till they returned to them again, which was £28 in addition to the £10 granted him the year before, which in the Treasurer's Ledger, is put under the head of "Contingencies," and is in part remuneration for his losses and recognition of his eminent services. The twenty-eight pounds must have included subsequent service. He remained at home for some time, and probably in that time wrote out his "Narrative." Together with others of his troop, he celebrated the 21st of October, 1675, as a day of thanksgiving for their safe return from Brookfield. Before February 29th, as is evident from the credits following, he had been out again in service. What or where that service was I have not been able to find from any published reference.

There was, however, much quiet, though efficient, service performed in those times, that the chronicler passed over in giving account of the more stirring events; and such service is often only revealed by these dim old pages of Hull's Journal, or the brief business or official letters preserved in our precious Archives. Such data may be helpful here. And first, the similarity of the amounts of credit would indicate that nearly all in this list were on the same service, and it would follow that the service was rendered before February 29th, 1676. The reference to "Groton Garrison" in the credit of a part of the men, seems to point to Groton and the neighboring towns as the place of service. And



again the letter to the Court from Groton, dated February 6th. 1675-6, and signed by James Parker, Thomas Wheeler and Henry Woodhouse (Woodis), respectfully suggests that the maintenance of a scout of "forty men, troopers and dragoons," to scout between Groton, Lancaster and Marlboro', is unnecessary, the garrison at Lancaster being sufficient for such purpose. Moreover, that such method, considering the distance, renders the force unavailable in case of sudden surprise, and that such towns as Billerica and Chelmsford are weakened by the withdrawal of their troopers for this service, and that now in view of the sudden disappearance of the Weymesit Indians, the troopers from those towns "demand a release," etc. I find that many of those in the list were from Billerica and Chelmsford. The letter shows this scouting service to have been going on, and I think it is safe to conclude that most of these thirty-seven men were engaged in it under Capt. Wheeler and Lieut. Woodhouse.

Credited under Capt. Wheeler:

Feb'y 29th 1675-6.			David Batchelor.	01	12	10
Simon Davis (two credits) 01	11	10	Simon Crosbe.	01	12	10
(Nath. Hill. 01	12	10	Daviel Maginnis.	00	06	00
Jonathan Hill. 01	12	10	John Kitteridg.	01	12	10
Joseph Foster. 01	12	10	James Pattison.	01	12	10
John Waldo. 01	12	10	Jonathan Hide.	01	12	10
Francis Dudly. 01	12	10	Samuel Davis.	01	02	10
Samuel Fletcher Sen . 01	04	05	John Brown.	01	12	10
Samuel Fletcher Jun. 01	12	10	Joseph Hayward.	01	12	10
Eleazer Brown. 01	19	04	John Hayward.	01	12	10
Cyprian Stevens. 00	14	03	Stephen Hosmer.	01	12	10
Benjamin Graves. 00	19	04	John Gould.	01	12	10
John Bates. 01	12	10	Phinias Sprague.	01	19	04
Stephen Goble. 01	12	10	Henry Green.	01	12	10
March 24 th			Joseph Winn.	01	12	10
Simon Willard. 01	12	10	Sept. 23d 1676.			
Thomas Tarball. 01	12	10	Abraham Jaque.	00	11	00
Joseph Blood. 01	12	10	Joseph Fitch.	01	09	()()
June 24th 1676.			Samuel Dunton.	01	09	00
Henry Woodis, Lieut. 04	-02	02	Jonathan Prescott.	00	14	03
Joses Buckman. 01	12	10				

Of the operations of the troops about Brookfield after the retreat of the Indians, some explanation will be given in the accounts of the various captains and their companies. In estimating the number of inhabitants who were in the house and took part in the defence, we may consider the following data. The whole troop, including Capt. Wheeler and son, numbered twenty-two; Capt. Hutchinson, Ephraim Curtis and three Indians made it twenty-seven. At the fight five were killed and five wounded, one Indian guide captured, Henry Young killed



at the house, and Curtis sent to Marlborough, leaving fourteen, presumably, fit for duty. There were some sixteen families gathered in the house, including fifty women and children. On August 3d Capt. Wheeler reports that only twenty-six, counting the men of the town and his soldiers, were capable of service. Hence we may infer that twelve of the inhabitants were actively engaged in the defence. Recurring now to the list of petitioners of October, 1673, published by Mr. Waite (New England Hist, and Genealogical Register, vol. xxxv. 336), and counting out Avres, Pritchard, and Cov. killed, and Wilson wounded, we shall not be far out of the way in concluding that the others were joined with the troopers in making up the twenty-six, allowing for some changes by accessions to and removals from town between 1673 and '75. The reported numbers of four or five hundred Indians present, and eighty killed, will bear liberal reduction, though the English carbines were bravely effective.

The following fragment may be of interest here as showing the presence of the celebrated pirate here just after the assault was over. It is taken from the Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 7.

Boston, October ye 13, 1675.

To the honored Governor & Councell of the Massathusets Colony in

New England.

These are to signyfie that Cornellius — [sic] Consort the Dutchman was uppon the Contryes Servis Att quabauge and by the Councle of Warre there was sent out Capt. of the for lorne And Afterward marched to Grotton & Chemsfort According to my best Advice continued in the Countryes Servis six weekes Cornellius being Reddy to depart the Country & myself being here att boston the Major Willard being Absent I granted this ticket.

THOMAS WHELLER, Capt.

This was the famous Cornelius Anderson. In the great trial of the pirates he was constantly referred to as Cornelius Consort, i. e. Consort of Capt. Roderigo, the chief of the pirates. The name "Consort" thus became his familiar cognomen among the people and soldiers with whom he was very popular. I cannot tell on what occasion he led the "forlorne," but it was after Capt. Mosely came, Aug. 11th or 12th, and before the 15th when he left. The Council of War was held after Capt. Wheeler had gone, but now, Oct. 13th, being in Boston, Major Willard absent at Groton, Mosely at Hatfield, Lathrop and Beers both slain, it devolved upon him to "grant the ticket."

BROOKFIELD AFTER THE ATTACK.

Capt. Wheeler relates that soon after his own return from Brookfield, "the inhabitants of the town also, men, women, and children, removed safely with what they had left, to several



places, either where they had lived before their planting or settling down there, or where they had relations to receive and entertain them," and "the Honored Major Willard stayed

several weeks after our coming away."

A small garrison was undoubtedly maintained at the fortified house some time after the withdrawal of the inhabitants, probably up to the 12th of October, and it is likely that widow Susannah Ayres remained during that time, as is indicated by her petition and account presented the Court in October, 1677. which charges supplies to soldiers under Ephraim Curtis, Major Willard and Capt. Poole; but some time before November 16th the place was vacant, for the Council on that date instructs Capt. Appleton in his march homeward from Connecticut River, if he comes by way of Quaboag, to drive down some of the cattle and swine which they have heard have gathered about the house, as a relief to the "poore people that are concerned therein." There is much material preserved in the Mass. Archives bearing upon this point of the withdrawal of the garrison from Brookfield, in numerous letters and orders of the Council to various officers, all giving evidence of the complete desertion of the town about Oct. 12th. See especially, correspondence with Capt. Appleton and Lieut. John Ruddock, etc.; also petition of John Ayres's sons, Mass. Arch. vol. 10.

The town was doubtless wholly vacated before the middle of October, and remained so, except for the frequent passage of the troops to and from the west, up to the last of February following. On the 21st of that month the Council ordered "Carpenters' tooles for six men, nayles of all sorts with hooks and hinges for doors and locks and of such sort as the chief carpenter shall appoint, to build a quarter at Quabaog;" and on the 25th the committee was ordered to procure either John Brewer of Sudbury, or John Coolidge of Watertown to go up with the army and build a house or houses for lodging and shelter of provisions, etc. A small garrison was established there under Serg't William Ingraham, who writes the Council on March 21st for relief, "men few and discouraged, need ammunition," etc. In answer the Council sent up Capt. Nathaniel Graves of Charlestown with men and horses laden with supplies, as will be seen by the following order from Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 173:

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Att a Council held at Boston, 22. March 1675-6

It is ordered that Capt. Nathaniel Graves of Charlestown shall be the Comander of the Garrison at Brookfield & all Inferiour officers

and Souldjers are requested to be obedjent to him:

As the said Capt. Graves is ordered to take ye Comand of twenty troopers and thirty horses & fiveteen men besides win the Carriage horses to be Loaden win provision & Ammunition to be conveyed to the Garrison at Brookfield and after the carriages are Lodged there he then send backe the Troopers & Carriage horses, dismissing them to



theire several homes, And that Wm Ingram now Comander of the Garrison at Brookfield is dismissed after Capt Graves comes there who is to returne with the Troopers & Carriages. It is further ordered that Major Savage order ten Souldiers more to strengthen the Garrison at Brookfield as soon as he Can Conveniently. And the said Capt. Graves is ordered with all Convenient dispatch to march up to Brookfield wth the sayd Carriages: dated in Boston as above.

pr. Edw^d Rawson, Secret'v.

Warrants issued forth to the Constables.

To Charlestowne for Carriage horses, 4 and 2 men besides a horse for Capt Graves. "Cambridge, Car. hor. 4 and 2 men

"Watertown, " " 6 " 3 " 6.6 .. 6 .. 3 ..

"Sudbury, "Wooburne " " 6 " 3 "

To Roxbury, Car. hor. 4 and 2 men

30 15

To Capt. Prentice for 7 Troopers. To the Constable of Marlborough for 6 Troopers.

To Capt. Davis for 6 Troopers.

The following letter is of interest both for the matter in hand and to show that garrison life in idleness is much the same in every age. From Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 237.

Honoured Governer &

Sir we are all In Indifferent helth we dayly are goeing forth but cannot see any Indians: our provissions dus spend apace And if you Intend to Continue ys place we must have more provissions yt wee have may Last about 8 or 10 days: for my owne partt I Can be Content was Less yn many of yr men heare: I have eatten but Littell of your provissions: I expect A release by yo next yt Cum up: for I am not fit for y' Employ being out of my way & know there are many men more fit than I for y' Busines I do not Apprehend any danger to Ly heare for I Beleave the Indians will nott Cum to our Garreson all my feare is of our men yt go Abroad & are not so Carefull as they shud be we have had no damage yet yt makes us Secure if you doe Continue ye men heare they will wantt showes & Shurtts And Linin drawers and Tobacco & A glace to Keap watch wth all our discontent Arises from y' now afore it was want of meate now we have enough heare are many would not care if they did stay there time out, they ow there masters here is noething to doe but up to play And down to sleepe if ye Country Can Afoard to maynteen them so: I am Content rather to bare my partt of ye Charge then to play heare where I Can do no good wht showes and other things we had was sent to hadly & I have a Resayte for them from y Commissarys w I hoap w discharge mee wch is all y offers att present from

Sir, your Seruant In what I am abell & understand. 28th Aparell 1676 NATHANIEL GRAVES.

On May 5th Serg't Ephraim Savage was chosen to go up to relieve Capt. Graves with new supplies, and to send home those that were sick or greatly needed at home, and to take command



of the garrison, thirty of the men at least to remain. Serg't Savage was excused from the service on account of sickness, and Thomas Walker, "the brickmaker," was chosen in his stead. It would seem, however, that his health improved, for he went with a lieutenant's commission and wages, and the credit below shows him to have served, and not Walker. Of the subsequent history of the garrison there is no definite account, but frequent references to it as a base of supplies, etc., show it to have been maintained for some time.

The following names are credited with military service at the garrison at Brookfield and "Quabaug."

June 24, 167	6.	Nathaniel Partridg.	05 08 00
John Rayman.	01 00 00	John Sargent.	$03 \ 02 \ 06$
James Kelling.	05 01 00	Charles Duckworth.	03 15 00
Ezekiel Levitt.	01 04 00	John Cromwell.	03 15 03
John Norton.	01 09 00	John Norton.	$01 \ 12 \ 06$
John Mansell.	01 18 00	William Bodkin.	04 12 06
July 24, 167	6.	John Jeffery.	04 19 04
Joseph Hide.	01 00 06	Joseph Swady.	04 12 06
Isaac Perkins.	01 01 04	Ebenezer Engellsbee.	04 12 06
Nicholas Rawlins.	00 07 00	Henry Pellington.	05 07 00
George Norton.	$00 \ 06 \ 04$	John Algar.	$03 \ 02 \ 06$
Benjamin Dunnage.	01 08 03	Thomas Stacie.	$01 \ 12 \ 06$
John Artsell.	01 08 00	Sylvester Haies.	04 10 00
Thomas Scott.	01 04 00	John Simple.	$03 \ 02 \ 06$
Thomas Cooper.	05 00 00	August 24 th 1	676
Thomas Philips.	05 03 06	John Cromwell.	02 09 06
Joseph Garfell.	00 17 00	Charles Duckworth.	$02 \ 09 \ 06$
Benjamin Pickerin.	04 10 00	Edward Blancher.	05 10 00
John Glide.	05 08 00	David Crouch.	02 06 02
Benjamin Bucknall.	04 15 00	David Jones.	$07 \ 06 \ 06$
Ephraim Savage, Lt.	04 07 09	Philip Sandy.	05 08 00
Christopher Cole.	$03 \ 02 \ 06$	Thomas Phillips.	00 18 00
Charles Blineo.	03 13 00	John Cutler.	$05 \ 09 \ 08$
John Mansell.	01 10 00		

There is no reliable evidence that the town of Brookfield was resettled before 1686 or 7. Many families were there before 1693, and a garrison house had been built, when, on July 27th of that year, a band of twenty-six Canadian Indians attacked the town and killed and captured several of its inhabitants.



MAJOR SIMON WILLARD AND HIS MEN.

OF all the names that stand upon the pages of New England histor, none are more honored than that of Major Simon Willard. His biography has been written in the "Willard Memoir," and therefore only a brief outline will be necessary here. He was born at Horsmonden, County of Kent, England, baptized April 7, 1605. He was the son of Richard and his second wife Margery. Simon married in England Mary Sharpe, of Horsmonden, who bore him before leaving England (probably) three children, and six in New England. He married for a second wife Elizabeth Dunster, who died six months after her marriage; and a third wife, Mary Dunster, who bore him eight children, between the years 1649 and 1669. Simon Willard arrived in Boston in May, 1634, and settled soon after at Cambridge. He was an enterprising merchant, and dealt extensively in furs with the various Indian tribes, and was the "chiefe instrument in settling the towne" of Concord, whither he removed at its first settlement in 1635-6, and remained for many years a principal inhabitant of that town. On the organization of the town he was chosen to the office of clerk, which he held by annual election for nineteen years. It is said upon respectable authority that he had held the rank of captain before leaving England, and in Johnson's "Wonder Working Providences" he is referred to as "Captain Simon Willard being a Kentish Soldier." In 1637 he was commissioned as the Lieutenant-Commandant of the first military company in Concord. At the first election, December, 1636, he was chosen the town's representative to the General Court, and was reëlected and served constantly in that office till 1654, except three years. In that year he was reflected, but was called to other more pressing duties; and afterwards to his death was Assistant of the Colony. In 1641 he was appointed superintendent of the company formed in the colony for promoting trade in furs with the Indians, and held thereafter many other positions of trust, either by the election of freemen or the appointment of the Court, too many to admit of separate mention here. In 1646 he was chosen Captain of the military company which, as Sergeant and Lieutenant, he had commanded from its organiza-



tion. For many years he was a celebrated surveyor, and in 1652 was appointed on the commission sent to establish the northern bound of Massachusetts, at the head of Merrimac River, and the letters S W upon the famous Bound-Rock (discovered many years ago near Lake Winnepesaukee) were doubtless his initials, cut at that time. In 1653 he was chosen Serjeant-Major, the

highest military officer of Middlesex County.

In October, 1654, Major Willard was appointed commander-inchief of the military expedition against Ninigret, Sachem of the Nyanticks, as told heretofore, in the Introductory Chapter, p. 22. In the settlement of the town of Lancaster Major Willard had been of great service to the inhabitants, and their appreciation was shown when, in 1658, the selectmen wrote him an earnest invitation to come and settle among them, offering a generous share in their lands as inducement. This invitation he accepted, sold his large estate in Concord, and removed to Lancaster, probably in 1659, and thence to a large farm he had acquired in

Groton, about 1671, at a place called Nonacoicus.

At the opening of "Philip's War," Major Willard, as chief military officer of Middlesex County, was in a station of great responsibility, and was very active in the organization of the colonial forces. His first actual participation in that war was in the defence of Brookfield, the particulars of which have been noted. We must admire this grand old man of seventy, mounting to the saddle at the call of the Court, and riding forth at the head of a frontier force for the protection of their towns. On August 4th he marched out from Lancaster with Capt. Parker and his company of forty-six men, "to look after some Indians to the westward of Lancaster and Groton," having five friendly Indians along as scouts, and, receiving the message of the distressed garrison at Brookfield, promptly hastened thither to their relief, which he accomplished, as we have seen in a former chapter. Upon the alarm of the disaster at Brookfield, a considerable force soon gathered there from various quarters. Two companies were sent up by the Council at Boston, under Captains Thomas Lathrop of Beverly and Richard Beers of Watertown, and arrived at Brookfield on the 7th. Capt. Mosely, also, who was at Mendon with sixty dragoons, marched with that force, and most of Capt. Henchman's company, and arrived at Brookfield probably about August. From Springfield came a Connecticut company of forty dragoons under Capt. Thomas Watts, of Hartford, with twenty-seven dragoons and ten Springfield Indians under Lieut. Thomas Cooper, of Springfield. These forces for several weeks scouted the surrounding country under Major Willard; the details of which service belong properly to the accounts of the several Captains. In addition to these were forty "River Indians" from the vicinity of Hartford, and thirty of Uncas's Indians under his son Joshua, who scouted with the



other forces. The Nipmucks could not be found, and it was afterward learned from the Indian guide, George Memecho, captured by the Nipmucks in Wheeler's fight, that on their retreat from Brookfield on August 5th, Philip, with about forty warriors and many more women and children, had met them in a swamp six miles beyond the battle ground, and by presents to their Sachems and otherwise had engaged them further in his interest: and all, probably, hastened away towards Northfield and joined the Pocomptucks, and thence began to threaten the plantations on the Connecticut River. After several days diligent searching, on August 16th, Captain Lathrop's and Beers's companies. the latter reinforced by twenty-six men from Capt. Mosely, together with most of the Connecticut, Springfield and Indian forces, marched towards Hadley and the neighboring towns, while Mosely went towards Lancaster and Chelmsford. Major Willard remained for several weeks at the garrison. Mr. Hubbard and Capt. Wheeler make this statement, and further relate that he soon after went up to Hadley on the service of the country. I think the visit to Hadley was after August 24th, as on that date I find a letter from Secretary Rawson to him, enclosing one to Major Pynchon, and advising him to ride up to Springfield and visit Major Pynchon "for the encouragement of him and his people." The writer of the "Willard Memoir" states that he was in command of the forces about Hadley for some time in the absence of Major Pynchon, but I have been unable to find any confirmation of this, unless it may be the inference drawn from Hubbard, who states that when Major Willard "returned back to his own place to order the affairs of his own regiment, much needing his Presence," he left "the Forces about Hadley under the Command of the Major of that Regiment." The letter above contained directions about the disposal of his forces, etc., which would naturally take several weeks to accomplish, and although the precise date of Major Willard's return from Brookfield is not given, some inference may be drawn from circumstances noted further on. Following is the list of those credited with service under Major Willard, from August 7th to January 25th, 1675:

August 7th, 167	75	Matthias Farnsworth.	00 12 06
Richard Keatts.	01 02 00	John Tarball.	$02 \ 03 \ 00$
Sept 17		Lot Johnson.	$02 \ 04 \ 06$
Thomas Hincher.	04 00 00	Onesiphorus Stanley.	$02 \ 04 \ 06$
Sept 21st		Josiah Parker.	00 11 00
Jonathan Prescott.	00 14 00	Samuel Davis.	00 11 00
John Divall.	00 11 00	James Nutting.	00 11 00
Sept 28 th		October 5 th	
James Parker, Capt.	01 02 00	Paul Fletcher.	02 10 00
James Knap, Sergt.	03 00 00	Edward Foster.	02 10 00
James Fisk.	00 16 09	John Barrett.	02 10 00



Gershom Procter.	02	10	00	John Jefts (or Jeffers).	02	03	04
Ephraim Hildred.	02	07	00	Anthony Hancock.	01	01	06
Jonathan Chrisp.	01	04	06	Nov. 20th.			
John Heale.	04	15	06	John Brookes.	02	04	06
John Hawes.	04	00	00	Simon Willard, Major.	10	00	00
James Smedly.	04	00	00	John Bateman.	03	00	00
Thomas Tally.	04	00	00	Paul Fletcher.	02	01	00
Josiah Wheeler.	02	17	00	John Coddington.	03	00	00
October 19th 167	5			John Gleason.	02	03	00
Thomas Rogers.		07	04	Daniel Lincolne.	01	05	08
John Shead.	02	02	04	William Wade.	02	03	00
Benjamin Simmons.	03	06	08	William Kerby.	00	12	00
Simon Willard, Major.	30	00	00	Consider Atherton.	00	15	00
Humphrey Jones alias				Nov. 30th			
Johnson.	01	18	06	John Brookes.	00	11	04
Josiah White.	00	12	00	Edward Wright.	00	10	00
Daniel Gaines.	00	12	00	Abraham Cousens.	01	05	02
Ephraim Sawyer.	00	12	00	Dec. 20			
Daniel Adams.	00	08	00	John Severy.	00	10	02
Thomas Beamon.	00	08	00	January 25. 167	5-6		
Simon Willard. 1	03	00	00	Philip Read, Doctor.	09	07	04
Samuel Cleaveland.	03	06	04	John Smith.	02	06	04
John Bateman.	03	15	00				

The foregoing list of credits I presume to embrace the company of Capt. Parker, who marched with Major Willard to the relief of Brookfield on August 4th. I judge that Capt. Parker, with some sixteen or more of these men, returned to Groton before August 16th, as on that date Capt. Mosely had sent twelve men to Groton to help secure the town; and Capt. Parker writes the Council on August 25th about their affairs, asking for arms and ammunition, as they are expecting an attack upon the town. Those that went back with him were very likely Groton men, and it is probable are represented by the smaller credits. Capt. Parker acknowledges the receipt of twenty men from Capt. Mosely and Major Willard, and these were, doubtless, in addition to the number of his own men that returned with him. The rest of his company remained with Major Willard, as may be shown by their larger credits.

From a paper which was presented to the Court after Major Willard's death, in statement of his unpaid services and expenses for the government, it appears that

From the 20th of September (1675) till the 18th of April (1676), the Major was employed about the country business, Settling of Garrisons in towns, and settling of Indians at Concord and Chelmsford, and other business, etc.

The paper is given in full in the "Willard Memoir," and shows

^{&#}x27;The Major's son. His horse was killed at Brookfield, for which the Court allowed £3 in October, 1876.



that this was a time of constant anxiety and activity in those towns, and that the Major's house at Nonacoicus (in the town of Groton, now within the town of Ayer) was a place of frequent rendezvous for the troops passing hither and thither, and of entertainment to those who come to the Major on the country's business.

On September 8th the Council issued an order to Cornet Thomas Brattle and Lieut. Thomas Henchman to march to Chelmsford with fifty men, collected, thirty from Norfolk and twenty from Middlesex Counties, and distribute them in the garrisons in the frontier towns of Groton, Lancaster and Dunstable. This order was probably in answer to Capt. Parker's appeal of August 25th. The men were to be left under the command of the chief officers in each town; and as Major Willard is not referred to at all, it would seem probable that he had not yet returned from Brookfield; but some time before September 20th he was at home; and when Capt. Henchman was sent, about that date, to organize an expedition to Pennacook with orders to withdraw eighty men from the several garrisons before mentioned, he was instructed to meet Major Willard at his home, and consult with him and the chief officers of the several garrisons as to the expedition. This meeting took place on September 25th, and on the same day Major Willard, together with officers Adams, Parker and Kidder, addressed a remonstrance to the Council against the withdrawal of so many of their soldiers. Capt. Henchman reports the same meeting in his letter of Sept. 27th. The Council, for various reasons, concurred with the Major, and the expedition was abandoned.

For the succeeding months Major Willard was busily engaged in ordering the defences of the Middlesex frontier towns and settling the various bodies of friendly Indians. Garrisons were maintained at Lancaster, Chelmsford, Groton and Dunstable, and the entire available force of the county was kept in a "posture of war." During the time that the army of the colony was absent at Narraganset, there is evidence from frequent letters, petitions, etc., from these frontier towns, that the people felt comparatively secure; but when Canonchet, after the Narraganset fight, fleeing with his surviving warriors, came into the vicinity, their fears were newly aroused, especially when, about February 6th, the army abandoned the pursuit, leaving the Indians in the woods about Brookfield, and, returning to Boston, were disbanded. The Council, not insensible to the danger which thus threatened these towns, immediately issued orders to Major Willard to raise a large force of dragoons to scout in front of the towns of Groton, Lancaster, etc., to Marlborough. This plan met with immediate remonstrance from the towns, and appeals were at once made to the Council against the measure, as it withdrew many from the garrisons to a great distance for days together, leaving them



exposed to sudden incursions from the prowling and watchful

enemy.

At this time Major Willard was so busy ordering the defences of the towns that he was unable to take his seat in the Council, and sent them a letter of explanation. This letter is not found in the archives, but the answer of the Council is as follows, giving some idea of the contents:

Sir. The Council received your letter and are sorry for your excuse for not coming to the Council by reason of the State of Lancaster, which we desire you to endeavor to the utmost of your power to relieve and succour. We are useing our best endeavours to prepare more forces to send to distress the enemy. You shall hear more from us speedily, and in the interim we desire you to be in readiness if you should have a full command over the forces to be sent forth from the Colony.

E R Secy

11 Feb. 1675.

The Council's letter was written the day after the attack upon Lancaster, of which evidently they had not heard. Major Willard was probably at this time at Groton or Chelmsford, where an attack was daily expected, doing all in his power with the small force at his command to protect these towns from surprisal. After the attack upon Lancaster, a large party of the Indians swept down towards Plymouth Colony, taking Medfield on the way, February 21st, and for the time distracting attention from the main body, which, as soon became evident, were still in the vicinity of "Wachusett Hills." On February 19th Major Willard and Capt. Parker, in behalf of the people of Groton, sent an earnest appeal to the Council for help and advice. On the 21st the Major was present at the sitting of the Court at Boston, and remained during the session. He was at Cambridge on March 4th, and certainly did not return to Groton till after March 7th, as on that day he was at the Court of Assistants. It was probably by his endeavors that a levy was ordered to be made on Norfolk and Essex Counties (forty-eight from Essex and forty from Norfolk). These forces were hastily collected, and under the stress of the news of the attack upon Groton were placed under the command of Capt. Joseph Cook, of Cambridge, and ordered to report to Major Willard at Groton at once. This action was taken by Major Gookin and Thomas Danforth, two members of the Council living at Cambridge, and was approved by the Council at their next meeting, March 16th.

On March 9th the Indians again appeared at Groton, doing some mischief, and again on the 13th in full force, and destroyed all the houses in town except the garrison houses, and one even of these, from which, however, the people had escaped. I think that Major Willard marched up from Watertown with Capt. Cook's force on the 12th or 13th, and arrived at Groton on the 14th, as the Indians retired on that day, apparently aware of the



approaching force. The people got safely within their garrisons before the attack, and but one man, probably John Nutting, was killed. The town was abandoned within a few days, and the inhabitants removed to the towns nearer the coast. Major Willard, with his family, removed to Charlestown. It is likely that he had removed his family some time before the destruction of his house, on the 13th, as that stood in an exposed position, and his son Samuel Willard, the minister of Groton, had another of the garrisoned houses.

The Indians were greatly elated at their success at Groton, and threatened to attack and destroy all the towns, including even Boston, and Major Willard's orders were, after relieving Groton. to scout back and forth to protect the neighboring towns, especially Chelmsford and Marlborough. The business of the removal of the people of Groton was committed to Capt. Joseph Sill, of Cambridge, who went up with troops and some sixty earts for that purpose. This design was successfully carried out, although the force guarding the long line of carts was so small, and an ambush was laid and an attack made upon the advance from a very advantageous position. Two of the "vaunt Carriers" were mortally wounded, but the English were promptly drawn up for battle, and after a few shots the enemy retired before their wellaimed volleys. In the mean time Major Willard, and his Essex and Norfolk men, were not idle, as will be seen by the following account, prepared by him, of his movements from March 21st to the 29th. Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 186.

A short narrative of what I have attended unto by the Councill of late, since I went to relieve Groatton. The 21:1:75-76, I went to Concord, and divided the troope committed unto me from Essex & Norfolke into three pts one to garde the carte, pressed from Sudbury, one pt for ye carte pressed from concord, both to Lancaster, one pt for ye carte that went from Charlestowne & Wattertowne that went volintiers or wear hiered when I had sent them to their severall places I came downe being the 22:1:75-6: & went to concord the 25:1:75, when I came there & inquired how it was with Lancaster the answer was they weare in distresse, I presently sent 40 horse thither to fetch awaye corne, and I went that night to Chellmsfoord to sc how it was with them, they complayned, Billerikye Bridge, stood in great need of beinge fortified. I ordered that to be don, allso they told me, that the Indians made two great rafte of board & rayles, that they had gott, that laye at the other syd of the river, I ordered 20 souldiers to go over & take them, & towe them downe the River, or p'serve them as they se cause, the 27 of this instant I went from Chellmsford to concord agayne when I came there, the troopers that I sent to Lancaster last had brought away all the people there, but had left about 80 bushells of wheat & Indian corne, yesterday I sent: 40: horses or, more to fetch it away, & came down from concord, this day I expeet they will be at concord, Some of the troope I relesed when this last worke was don, the other I left order to scout abroad untill they heare from me agayne, I thought it not meet to relese men, when we



stand in need of men, my desire is to know what I shall do herin in, concord & chelmsford look every day to be fired, and wold have more men but know not how to keepe them, nor paye them, your numble servant.

Simon Willard 29: 1: 76.

The troops that went up from Norfolk and Essex were credited under their special officers, and will there appear. The following are those who receive credit under Major Willard, and are those probably who were employed in scouting with him in the early part of the winter.

CREDIT	ED	UN	DER	MAJOR WILLARD.			
February 29th				John Dexter.		07	
Thomas Wheeler	02	16	08	Samuel Green.		07	
June 24 th				Joseph Wilson.		07	
Edward Young.	01	04	00	John Lind.		07	
July 24th				Thomas Newell. V		07	
John Bush	01	04	00	John Sprague.		07	
Isaac Fellows.	01	05	06	Thomas Munge.		07	
Samuel Ingolls.	01	10	10	Peter Towne.		07	
Samuel Bishop.	01	10	00	Thomas Wheeler, jr.		00	
August 24th				William Price, jr.	01	07	04
William Green.	00	08	06	September 23 ^d			
Phinias Sprague	00	07	00	Francis Whitmore.	00	10	00
John Green	00	07	00	Daniel Gowen.	01	17	04

On March 29th Major Willard was in his seat at the Court of Assistants, and his family was then living at Charlestown. He was also at the session of the County Court at Cambridge at its session beginning April 4th. On the 11th he was reëlected as Assistant, having the highest number of votes cast for any magistrate except the governor and deputy governor. He was constantly engaged in his public duties until April 18th, when he retired to his home and was struck down it is thought by an "epidemical cold" which was then raging, and on April 24th "died in his bed in peace, though God had honoured him with several signal victories over our enemies in war," says a contemporary historian. No man was ever more fully or more deservedly honored in life and death than Major Willard. His funeral at Charlestown on April 27th was an occasion of great pomp for that time, six military companies parading under command of Capt. Henchman; and his death created profound sorrow far and wide. There are numerous references to his death and funeral in the literature, records and MS. journals of that day. His family was reimbursed for his great expense and services, in 1677; and again in 1681 a grant of land of one thousand acres was set aside for his six youngest children when they should come of age.

He left a numerous posterity, many of whom have held honorable positions in succeeding generations. His widow married Deacon Joseph Noyes of Sudbury, July 14, 1680, and died in

that town, December, 1715.



VII.

CAPT. RICHARD BEERS, CAPT. THOMAS LATHROP, AND THEIR COMPANIES.

RICHARD BEERS was admitted freeman at Watertown, March 9, 1637, was granted a license to "keep an ordinary" in Watertown in 1654, and continued that business during his life. He was representative to the General Court thirteen years, and selectman of Watertown thirty-one years, holding both offices at the time of his marching to Brookfield, August 6th, 1675. Before leaving home on that day he made a nuncupatory will. proved Oct. 5, 1675. He left a widow Elizabeth, and their children were Sarah, 1st, died before Oct. 10, 1639; Sarah, 2d (born probably about 1641); Mary, born March 10, 1643; Eliezur administered jointly with Capt. Richard's widow Elizabeth upon his estate in 1682, married, April 21, 1690, widow Susanna (Harrington) Cutting, and died without issue, Dec. 5, 1701; Judith. born March 26, 1646; Jabez, born August 4, 1651; Elnathan. married about 1681 Sarah Tainter; Elizabeth; Richard, born Oct. 22, 1659; and Abigail, born April, 1662. From Hull's Journal I find that Eliezur served under Capt. Cutler in 1676. Elnathan was sergeant in his father's company in the west, and afterwards served under Capt. Sill. Capt. Beers's age was probably about 63.

A little light may be thrown upon the history of Capt. Beers by the following petition in Mass. Archives, vol. 67, page 163:

To the Governour, etc., etc. Humble Petition of Rich^d Beeres of Watertown.

Whereas your petitioner hath bin an Inhabitant of this jurisdiction ever since the first beginning thereof & according to his weake abilities served the same not only in times of peace But allsoe wh his person in pequod warr in two severall designes when the Lord delivered them into our hands as allsoe uppon his returne such a weaknesse fell uppon his boddy that for Eaight years Space he was disinabled to labor for his ffamyly Spending a (grat)? part of that little hee had uppon Phesitions & having hitherto had not any land of the Country & of the Towne but one Acre and a halfe besides that he hath purchased, Humbly desires this Honoured Court to Grant him Such a parcell of land (where he



can find it in this wilderness) as shall seem meet to this Honoured Courte, and the rather Seeing he hath many children to share in the Same which shall further ingage him for the future. As in duty hee is bound to Serve & Honor Y' in the Lord.

October 24, 1665.

It will be noted that in the first campaign to Mount Hope the troops were drawn almost wholly from the vicinity of Boston, Suffolk and Middlesex counties. In the latter part of July a levy had been made in Essex, and when on August 4th or 5th the news of the disaster at Brookfield came to the Council, the company from Salem and vicinity was summoned and sent up to the relief of the distressed garrison, under the command of Capt. Lathrop, and another company from Watertown under Capt. Beers. According to Capt. Wheeler, these troops arrived at Brookfield on Saturday afternoon, August 7th, and it is probable that the troops sent up from Hartford and Springfield arrived later, perhaps the same evening. It is possible that it was on Monday, 9th, or Tuesday, that the troops in force marched out to "Meminimisset, where Capt. Hutchinson and Capt. Wheeler were assaulted," and having found no signs of Indians in the vicinity, the company from Springfield left the others and marched northward and around to Springfield again, while the rest returned to Brookfield. English were sorely puzzled as to the whereabouts of the Indians, and continued scouting for several days in the vicinity of Brookfield, probably as far as Hadley, knowing that Philip had now joined the Nipmucks, and fearing that the main body of the Indians were at no great distance. Gardiner's bill, given below, indicates Lathrop's presence at Hadley, August 12, but within two days he was again at Brookfield. There, being recruited by the large force that came up with Capt. Mosely from Mendon, an advance in force was resolved upon, and on Aug. 15th, Capts, Lathron and Beers with their companies marched by way of Meminimisset to Springfield. Capt. Mosely with his troops accompanied them as far as the swamp, the scene of Wheeler's fight, where he separated from them and marched away towards Chelmsford and Lancaster, leaving twenty-six of his men to recruit the company of Capt. Beers. The troops under Capts. Lathrop and Beers, joined at Springfield by the forces under Capt. Watts, together with the Connecticut Indians, spent several days exploring the country up along Swift River and the Connecticut, without finding the Indians, and on Aug. 22d, as we learn from Major Pvnchon's letter to the Connecticut Council, the Massachusetts troops had returned to Brookfield again, and Capt. Watts with his forces was at Hadley.

On August 23d Lathrop and Beers had again joined Watis at Hadley, and at a council of war held on that day it was resolved to disarm the Hadley Indians who had gathered at their fort on



the west side of the river, about half-way between Hatfield and Northampton. Preparations were made for carrying out this design on the 24th. Messengers were despatched to Northampton to secure the coöperation of the force there, which was to move as near to the Indian fort as possible, unperceived, while Capts. Lathrop and Beers crossed the river to Hatfield, to approach the fort from that side. In the meantime peaceful demands had been made upon the Indians to deliver up their arms, and one of their sachems had come before the council to present their objections; and it is probable that many of their old men and others of their tribe were in favor of submission, but were overruled, and before the English had completed their preparations it was found that the Indians had all escaped, having killed one old sachem, who, it is said, opposed the flight and refused to join it.

The Indians fled on the night of the 24th, and on the morning of the 25th, Capts. Lathrop and Beers, with one hundred men, pursued them, coming upon them unexpectedly "at a place called Sugar-Loaf Hill," "about ten miles above Hatfield," according to Mr. Hubbard; "at a swamp beyond Hatfield," says Mr. Russell of Hadley, writing soon after. "The place is now unknown." says the late eminent historian of Hadley, Mr. Judd; while Messrs. Temple and Sheldon, the careful historians of Northfield, locate the scene "in a swamp just south of Mt. Wequamps, in the present town of Whately." Here an engagement ensued, which is most reliably described perhaps by the following extract from a letter written by Rev. Solomon Stoddard of Northampton, on Sept. 15th, 1675, to Rev. Increase Mather of Boston:

They (the English) intended to parley with the Indians, but on a sudden the Indians let fly about forty guns at them, and were soon answered with a volley from our men; about forty ran down into the swamp after them, poured in shot among them, made them throw down much of their baggage, and after a while our men, after the Indian manner, got behind trees and watched their opportunities to make shots at them. The fight continued about three hours; we lost six men upon the ground, though one was shot in the back by our own men; a seventh died of his wound coming home, and two died the next night, nine in all, of nine several towns, every one of these towns lost a man. Of the Indians, as we hear since by a squaw that was taken, and by three children that came to our town from them the day after, there were slain twenty-six. . . .

From Mr. Russell's "List of the men slain in the County of Hampshire," Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 33, from another list in vol. 67, p. 254, and from various other sources, it is judged that the following is a correct account of the killed at this fight of August 25th:



Samuel Mason of Northampton. James Levins of Roxbury?
Azariah Dickinson of Hadley. Richard Fellows of Hatfield.
*John Plumer of Newbury.

*Mark Pitman of Marblehead.
*Joseph Person of Lynn.
*Matthew Scales of Rowley.
William Cluffe of Charlestown.
Edward Jackson of Cambridge (perhaps).

[* Were of Capt. Lathrop's company.]

After this skirmish the Indians made good their escape and probably joined the Pocomtuck tribe then living near Deerfield The English marched back to Hatfield, and thence crossed to Hadley, where other troops from Connecticut and from the East were gathering, expecting a general attack from the main body of the Indians, now believed to be concentrated at Paquoag (Athol). Nothing, however, was done by the Indians until Sept. 1st, when the Pocomtucks, now joined by the Norwottucks (or Hadley Indians), fell upon Deerfield, where but a small garrison was stationed, burned most of the houses, and killed one of the garrison, James Eggleston, of Windsor, Conn., of Capt. Watts's Company. In Mr. Russell's list the name of Nathaniel Cornberry is given also as slain at Deerfield, but it was probably later, perhaps on the 12th, when Mr. Stoddard relates another assault upon some of the people going to meeting, of whom one was taken alive by the Indians.

Hadley was at this time the headquarters of the English, and probably Capts. Lathrop and Beers, with their companies, were there on September 1st. It is certain that they were there on the 2d, and were organizing a force to bring off the garrison at Northfield. But on that day (Thursday, Sept. 2d), while this expedition was in preparation, and the Northfield people and the garrison soldiers were abroad in the fields at work, a large body of Indians suddenly fell upon that town, killed many of the people as they fled from their homes and fields towards the garrison, burned all their exposed houses and destroyed cattle and crops. There were sixteen families in the town. The English killed at this time, according to Russell's list, were eight:

Sergt. Samuel Write. (Wright) Jonathan Jeans. (Janes) Ebenezer Parsons. Benjamin Dinwick. (Dunwich) Ebenezer Jeans. (Janes) Nathaniel Curtis. Thomas Scott. John Peck.

In the history of Northfield (by Temple and Sheldon) is additional information. Sergt. Wright, aged 45, the Janeses, sons of Elder William Janes, aged respectively 16 and 14, were all of Northfield; Parsons, aged 20, and Curtis, were of Northampton; Peck was of Hadley; Scott, Ipswich? and Dunwich, residence unknown, perhaps identical with Benjamin Dunnage,



credited at Brookfield. But one Indian was known to have been killed.

Hadley was thirty miles from Northfield, and, unaware of this assault, Capt. Beers, on the next morning, Friday, Sept. 3d, set forth with thirty-six mounted men and one ox team, on his march to bring off the garrison and people. The march was slow and toilsome, and darkness came upon them when still three or four miles from Northfield, and they were obliged to encamp for the night. It is supposed that the camping was near the small stream called "Four-mile brook." Early on the morning of Saturday the 4th, Capt. Beers with most of his force started on foot, and leaving the horses at the camp with a small guard, and taking the team with stores and ammunition, advanced towards the town, still ignorant of the previous day's assault, and, it seems, entirely unsuspicious of an enemy in the vicinity. The best authority for the scene and circumstances of the engagement is probably the history of Northfield above mentioned, which I follow. "He appears to have kept up on the high plain till he came in sight of the little brook, now known as Saw-mill brook. The ravine was now covered with a rank growth of grass and ferns, and the leaves were thick on the young trees." It was at this place that the Indians had placed their ambuscade. He advanced across the brook by the accustomed fording place, and just at the passage, and when his company was most exposed, was furiously attacked in front and flank, and all were thrown into great confusion, but soon rallied and fought bravely for their lives, but were forced back by superior numbers some three-quarters of a mile to a narrow ravine on the south of a hill now known as "Beers's Hill." Here a stand was made, and here the little band fought about their leader, with the courage of desperation, till their ammunition was exhausted and the captain with nearly every man had fallen; only a few escaped, joined the guard left behind with the horses, and made their way back to Hadley, thirteen in all. An undoubted tradition points out the grave of Capt. Beers in the ravine where he fell. Hoyt, in his history, published in 1824, says that the bones of the slain were still occasionally found protruding from the sandy knoll where the battle began. Mr. Hubbard relates that twenty men were killed with their leader. Mr. Russell, in his list, says sixteen, and gives the names of eleven. His list is as follows:

At Squakheage ye 4 of Sept 16 men were Slayn.

Capt. Rich^d Beers.
John Chenary.
Ephraim Child.
Benjamin Crackbone.
Robert Pepper.
Joseph Dickinson.

William Markham. George Lycuss. John Gatchell. James Miller. John Wilson.



Another list in the Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 254, adds several names and varies the spelling of several, thus:

List of Capt. Beeres and those slayn soldiers, 1675.

Capt. Beers.
John Getchell.
Benjamin Crackbon.
Ephra' Child.
George Lickens.
John Willson.
Thomas Cornish.
Robert Pepper.

John Genery.
Jeremiah Morrell.
Elisha Woodward.
William Marcum.
Joseph Dickerson.
James Mullard.

James Egleston. killed with Capt. Beeres.

8 killed at Squakheage with Capt. Beeres of whom there is no accot.

It will be noticed that James Egleston, who was killed at Deerfield, is set down here. Robert Pepper of Roxbury was not killed, but taken captive and returned home afterwards. Besides the thirteen that escaped to Hadley that same night, three more came in next day. It is said that several others counted as killed were taken prisoners and afterwards tortured to death. One, whose name is unknown, was reserved for torture, but was freed by a friendly Natick Indian and made his escape. John Parke, son of Thomas of Cambridge Village, was wounded in the fight "in the elbow joint and the bone broken," etc. His petition says it was "in the fight in which Capt. Beers was killed." He remained at Hadley till Major Appleton's march home, Nov. 24. (See Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 198.) Probably the Indians engaged in the assault were less than one hundred and fifty in number, composed of the Squakeags, and parties of Nashaways, and Quaboags, led by Monoco, alias "One-eyed John," and Sagamore Sam. The number of Indians slain was said to be twentyfive, which is probably too large an estimate.

On the next day, Sept. 5th, Major Treat, who had come from Hartford to Hadley on the 3d with a company of Connecticut men, one hundred strong, marched up to Northfield. At night (Sunday, 5th) he camped, probably near the camp of Beers, and on the 6th went forward to the scene of the battle, finding a ghastly sight, for many of the heads of the slain had been cut off and set upon poles by the wayside. Pausing only long enough to perform hasty funeral rites, he passed on to the garrison and found all safe. Hurriedly collecting the people and all their effects possible, but obliged to leave the cattle, he marched for Hadley the same evening. Mr. Stoddard, in his letter, says "they left the bodies unburied," which probably has reference to the eight killed at Northfield in the attack on the 2d. Small bodies of the enemy were still lurking in the vicinity of the village, and a party of the English that ventured into the fields were attacked; they were probably engaged in burying the dead, and Major Treat



was slightly wounded in the thigh. It is said that many of the cattle followed in the retreat of the English, and afterwards came into Hadley. The following are the names in Hull's Journal:

Credited with Military Service under Capt: Richard Beeres.

October, 5 1673	ŏ.		1	William Russell.	04	16	00
John Shattuck, Sergt.	02	07	06	George Licas.	01	05	08
Edward Jackson.	00	18	00	December 20th 16	75.		
Ephraim Beares.	00	12	10	Richard Wood.	04	16	00
November 9th 16	75.			John Cooke.	02	14	00
Joseph Sill, Leiut.	08	11	06	John Harrington.	04	16	00
Nathaniel Bright.	03	08	06	Nathaniel Peirce.	03	05	02
Elnathan Beeres, Sergt.	05	02	09	Gustin John.		04	06
Nathaniel Sanger.	04	02	06	January 25th 1675	-6.		
Samuel Prentis.	01	04	00	John Wilson.	01	05	08
November 20th 16	75.			John Bowditch.	01	16	00
Jacob Hurd.	03	14	06	Ephraim Child.	01	05	08
Richard Beeres, Capt.	06	08	06	Benjamin Taynter.	04	16	00
Joseph Fuller.	03	07	08	February 29th 167	5-6		
John Parkes.	03	07	08	Thomas Hastings.	02	05	00
Benjamin Crackbone.	02	18	00.	Nathaniel King.	00	12	00

The probable reason that so few are credited under Capt. Beers is the fact of his brief command, and also that the twenty-six men delivered to him at Brookfield by Capt. Mosely would probably be returned to Mosely and be credited under him; and I am inclined to think that those who survived and continued in the service would look to Capt. Joseph Sill, Beers's lieutenant, to sign their vouchers, and would receive credit under him or the officer that appeared afterwards in command. Shattuck escaped only to be drowned shortly after, crossing Charlestown Ferry.

John Harrington of Watertown was badly wounded, but

escaped and lived to old age.

CAPT. THOMAS LATHROP AND HIS MEN.

Thomas Lathrop, or Lothrop, emigrated from England to Salem. He was admitted freeman in 1634, and settled on the "Bass River" side of the town, where he received a grant of land near Mackerel Cove in 1636. He was lieutenant of the Salem Train-Band in 1644 under Capt. Hathorn, and succeeded him as captain of the Artillery Company in 1645. Mr. Felt relates that he was a captain under Major Sedgwick in the expedition of 1654-5 against Acadia, when St. Johns and Port Royal were reduced. He was an active and influential citizen, represented Salem in the General Court in 1647, '53 and '64, and when Beverly was set off in 1668 was chosen first selectman of the new town, and thereafter, till his death, remained a leading actor in all its affairs, civil, ecclesiastical and military. He married



Bethia, daughter of Daniel Rea and sister of Joshua, who after his death and before June, 1680, married Joseph Grafton, of Salem, and again for her third husband, June 26, 1683, Dea. William Goodhue, of Ipswich. She died Dec. 6, 1686. Capt. Lathrop left no children, and his sister Ellen, who came with him from England, and became the second wife of Ezekiel Cheever, with her children, inherited his estate. The age of Capt. Lathrop is put at 65 years by Mr. Stone in his history of Beverly.

In the Mass. Archives, vol. xlv, p. 111, there is a petition of Capt. Lathrop, showing that he was in the expeditions against the Pequods in 1636-7. This petition has the signature "Thomas Lawthrop," and is dated 8: 3mo. 62; and while I have some doubt whether here the writing is his own, there can be no doubt of his signature in vol. lxvii, p. 50, where it appears in a

faltering hand as "Tho: Lawthropp."

In August, 1675, when the news of the disaster at Brookfield came to the Council, Capt. Lathrop was placed in command of the company raised in Essex County, with some men from Boston and vicinity, and marched up to Brookfield, where he joined the forces of Capt. Beers. Their companies acted mostly together thereafter up to the time of the latter's march from Hadley on

September 3d.

Elated by recent successes, the Indians pressed more closely about those western towns, watching warily that no opportunity might pass to strike a safe and telling blow. Their leaders constantly outgeneralled our officers, and in every engagement took care to have the odds, in numbers, position, and method of attack, on their side; and while we are horrified at their atrocities, we can but admire their adroitness and persistence. In the meantime additional forces of the English were gathering at Hadley and vicinity, and all were under the general direction of Major John Pynchon, of Springfield, commander-in-chief in the county of Hampshire. On the return of Major Treat from Northfield with the garrison and people of that place, a council of war was held, at which it was decided to strengthen the various garrisons and hold the army for the present on the defensive. The Commissioners of the United Colonies had agreed to raise an army of five hundred men for this campaign on the Connecticut River. Besides the forces of Lathrop and Beers, Capt. Appleton had arrived from the East early in September, and Capt. Mosely with a company of sixty on Tuesday, Sept. 14th, at evening, and probably on the 15th crossed the river and marched up to Deerfield. There, on the Sunday before, the Indians had made an assault on twenty-two men passing from one garrison to another to meeting; none of ours were killed, but one was taken alive and probably afterwards killed, and Mr. Judd suggests that this was Nathaniel Cornberry, noted by Mr. Russell as among



the slain. The Indians then burned two houses, secured several horse-loads of beef and pork, killed many horses, and with their plunder betook themselves to a hill in Deerfield meadow. On the reception of this news at Northampton, the officers there raised a body of volunteers, who with others from Hadley and a part of Capt. Lathrop's company, marched up on Monday, 13th, to Deerfield garrison, and on the next day went out with the soldiers of the garrison to attack the Indians at the hill, but they were all fled. Major Treat, on Sept. 9th, had returned to Hartford, leaving a part of his force distributed in the various towns in garrison. On the 15th or 16th he came to Northampton with additional Connecticut troops, and Capt. John Mason, of Norwich, came there soon after with a body of Mohegan and Pequod Indians. I think it probable that the remainder of Capt. Lathrop's company, except the sick and wounded, passed over

with Capt. Mosely.

Such was the position of affairs on Sept. 18th. At Deerfield a large quantity of corn had been gathered from the fields and loaded upon carts, teams and drivers provided, and Capt. Lathrop with his company were appointed as a guard to Hadley, where it was to be stored. The English evidently had no thought that any considerable force of the enemy were in the vicinity, and Capt. Mosely and his company remained behind and were scouting in search of them through the woods about. But a large body had crossed the river secretly, and, undiscovered, were watching every motion of the English; and now with their usual tactics they placed a large ambuscade in a place which offered unusual advantage, across the line of march. This place was some five miles from the place of starting, at what is now South Deerfield village, where a small stream, then known as "Muddy Brook" (but ever since as "Bloody Brook"), crossed the road. The English seem to have taken no precaution whatever against surprise, and many of the soldiers, it is said, had placed their arms upon the carts to be carried, and were gathering wild grapes by the roadside.

We can never know with certainty much of the details of the battle, or rather massacre, that ensued. The survivors on this occasion were few, and doubtless if questioned could give but incoherent and exaggerated accounts. Moreover, contemporary historians seem to have been indifferent to particulars, and to have inclined rather to moralizing upon general events, and succeeding historians have mainly repeated the stories of the first, and it is only within the last few decades that our devoted historical societies, with their increasing facilities, have made the methods of intelligent criticism possible. Gen. Epaphras Hoyt, of Deerfield, wrote a history of the Indian wars more than fifty years ago, which seems to be the first effort at analysis. In that work are many important questions raised and valuable suggestions



presented. In regard to this affair he suggests that the main part of the troops had passed over the brook and were waiting the slow movements of the lumbering teams over the rough roads. The Indians crept stealthily about and encompassed the whole company and fell upon them with sudden and terrible fury, so that many were shot down or disabled at the first volley, including probably Capt. Lathrop. Doubtless a brave resistance was made, but with little avail. The coming of Capt. Mosely upon the scene after the disaster, his subsequent fight and opportune reinforcement by Major Treat, have been previously related.

It may be noted that here again Major Treat and the Connecticut soldiers opportunely, and as at Northfield, brought rescue, it is likely, from destruction. Connecticut was wise in trusting and employing the friendly Indians, who never allowed their troops to be ambushed; while the prejudice of Massachusetts brought upon their companies the dreadful massacres and unavailing pursuits which excite our wonder and shame even to-day.

As to the number of the English killed in this encounter, early accounts vary. In the postscript to a letter from the Massachusetts Council to Richard Smith, of Narraganset, dated Sept. 22, 1675, and still preserved in the Archives, vol. 67, p. 262, the statement is made that "above forty of Capt. Lathrop's men with himself were slain;" and then it is further stated that Capt. Mosely lost eleven men in the subsequent fight, which together with many lost that were with the teams made up sixty-four in all, who were buried the next day. Mr. Mather relates that above threescore were slain. Mr. Hubbard reckons eighty as the number in the company of the English, including, doubtless, the teamsters, and savs that not above seven or eight escaped. In Rev. Mr. Russell's list, noticed above, the number of slain is put at seventy-one. This last is probably nearly correct, as Mr. Hull's credits, now for the first time published, after a lapse of more than two hundred years, go far to prove. The list pertaining to "Bloody Brook" is given below entire. It has been copied from the original with the utmost care, and proved and tested letter by letter till I feel sure of its accuracy. This list was first copied by Mr. Coffin some fifteen years before he published his "Newbury," and is the most nearly correct of any list that has been published hitherto that I know of; but a comparison of his text with the original will show many mistakes. The following is the list:

At Muddy-Brook bridge ye 18 Sept. 71 men slane.

Capt. Thomas Laythrop Caleb Kemball George Ropes Sergt. Thomas Smith Thomas Hobs Joseph Kinge Samuel Stevens Robert Homes Thomas Alexander John Hobs Edward Traske ffrancis ffriende Daniel Button Richard Lambert Abel Osver John Harriman John Litleale Josiah Dodge



Thomas Bayley Ezekiel Sawier Jacob Kilborne Thomas Manninge Jacob Waynwritt Benjamin Roper John Bennett Thomas Mentor Peter Woodberry Joseph Bolch Samuel Whitteridge William Duy Sergt Samuel Stevens Samuel Crumpton John Plum Thomas Buckley Samuel Hudson Adam Clarke Ephraim ffarah Robert Wilson Steven Welman Benjamin ffarnell Solomon Alley John Merrit

The forty-two above were evidently soldiers of Capt. Lathrop, and the following were set down by Mr. Russell as including the teamsters:

Robert Hinsdall Samuel Hinsdall Barnabas Hinsdall John Hinsdall Joseph Gillett John Allin Joshua Carter John Barnard James Tufts Jonathan Plimpton Philip Barsham Thomas Weller William Smeade Zebadiah Williams Eliakim Marshall James Mudge George Cole

The Hinsdalls were the father and three sons. Most of the others were Deerfield men. George Cole is credited under Capt. L., and was probably of his company, perhaps of Lynn. The following men are set down as of Deerfield, and credited by Hull in the "Beefe" account: Richard Weller, William Pixly, Daniel Weld, James Tufts, William Smeade, Joseph Gillett, Experience Hinsdall, John Stebbin, John Hawkes. Nathaniel Sutlive is credited for cattle. Others credited for cattle, billeting, etc., at the same time, June 24, 1676, but of course for the year before: Sarah Field, Ephraim Hinsdall, Solomon Stoddard, Thomas Mekins, Barnabas Hinsdall, Joshuah Carter, John Plimpton, Thomas Hastings, Samson Frary, Quentin Stockwell, John Allen, Moses Crafts, Samuel Hinsdall, Peter and Jonathan Plimpton. Thomas Weller was probably son of Richard, and Barnard was of Hadley, son of Francis. Barsham and Williams were of Deerfield, Marshall and Mudge were probably of Lathrop's company. Marshall, sometime of Stratford, Conn., now perhaps of Boston, and Mudge, of Malden, son of Thomas and Sarah.

From sundry petitions preserved in the Archives, and from casual references here and there, we find a few additional names. Joseph Prince. of Salem, was pressed under Capt. Lathrop and went as far as Quaboag, but was there given leave to go home to his dying father, and did not return to the army. Mrs. Ruth Bates had two sons. Clement and Solomon, who went out with Lathrop and survived the fight, if they were in it, and spent the winter in the garrison at Westfield; Clement was killed there in the spring, and the mother petitions in April, 1670, for the release of Solomon. John Smith's petition. Archives, vol. 69, p. 23, shows that two servants of his had been pressed, and one of



them having been out some three months, was killed with Capt. Lathrop; his name is not given, but the other, Mungo Craford, having been out near ten months, was left through the winter as a garrison soldier at Hadley or near, and is still there. Smith petitions for his release or pay for his service. Smith was of Boston, and Craford returned and settled there; Mrs. Bates was the widow of Clement of Hingham.

In a note in the Appendix to Edward Everett's Bloody Brook oration, Rev. Joseph B. Felt gives the above list, and adds the place of residence of many. The following in Hull's Journal are

Credited under Capt. Thomas Lathrop.

October 19, 1678	5			Andrew Stickney.	01	16	00			
John Palmer, Corpl.	04	11	00	George Ropps.	01	17	08			
Nov ^r 9, 1675				Benjamin Roper.	01	17	08			
John Langbury.	02	08	00	Ephraim Farrar.	01	16	00			
Edmond Bridges.	01	00	00	Solomon Ally.	01	16	0.0			
Joseph Emons.	01	17	00	Benjamin Furnell.	01	16	00			
Samuel Rust.	02	08	00	John Merrett.	01	17	08			
John Plum. 01 17		08	February 29th 1675	February 29th 1675-6						
November 30th 1675			Edmond Moore.	03	12	00				
Richard Lambard.	01	18	06	Eleazer Keyser.	00	12	00			
Samuel Stevens.	02	13	10	Thomas Manning.	02	10	06			
Robert Holmes.	02	08	00	Thomas Rose.	03	00	00			
Joseph Balch.	01	18	06	Stephen Warman.	01	17	08			
Thomas Lathrop, Capt.	09	13	00	John Littlehall.	01	17	08			
Peter Woodbury.	01	18	06	John Andrews.	01	01	09			
Paul Thorndike.	03	04	04	Samuel Crumpton.	01	18	06			
John Plummer.	00	18	00	Jacob Wainwright.	02	14	06			
Edward Trask.	02	03	00	June 24th 1676						
Thomas Buckly.		17	08	Thomas Mentor.	01	18	06			
Dec. 20th 1673	,			Zekeriah Davis.	07	04	00			
Samuel Steevens.	01	17	08	Thomas Rose.	04	04	00			
Samuel Chapman.	00	18	10	Thomas Smith.	01	18	06			
Thomas Kemball.	00	12	00	George Cole.	03	11	06			
Caleb Kemball.	01	16	00	Timothy Bray.	01	05	08			
Thomas Hobbs.	01	16	00	John Denison.	00	16	02			
Jan'y 25, 1675-	July 24th 1676									
William Dew. (Due)	01	18	06	John Bullock.	15	08	0.0			
Josiah Dodge.	01	18	06	Joseph King.		16	00			
John Harriman.	01	18	06	August 24th 1676						
Matthew Scales.	00	18	00	Mark Pitman.	01	16	10			
Joseph Pearson.	00	18	0.0	Thomas Bayly.	01	16	10			
Jacob Kilborn.	01	18	06	Abel Ozzier.	01		00			
Thomas Baily.	01	18	06	John Bennett.	01	17	08			
Ezekiel Sawyer.	01	18	06	Moses Pengry.	01	19	04			
Blaze Vinton.	01	05	08							

John Bullock was "crippled" in the war, and his large credit may be due to that. He was of Salem, and was afterwards favored



by the Court and granted a license to keep a "victualling shop,"

January 9, 1680.

In addition to the above names and facts, we glean the following from various sources. From Coffin's History of Newbury we learn that on August 5th, 1675, were impressed at Newbury,

Steven Greenleaf Caleb Richardson Daniel Button
Thomas Smith Daniel Rolf John Wheeler
John Toppan John Hobbs Henry Bodwell

and fourteen days' provision supplied them by the town. John Toppan at Bloody Brook was wounded in the shoulder, but concealed himself in the bed of a brook nearly dry by pulling grass and weeds over his body, and thus escaped, though several times the Indians stepped over him. A similar story is told of a soldier who escaped at Beers's fight. Henry Bodwell had his left arm broken, but being of great strength and courage seized his gun in his right hand and swinging it about his head charged furiously through the Indians and got away. Greenleaf, Toppan, Richardson, Wheeler and Bodwell were credited Dec. 10th, under Major Appleton, with such large amounts that I think the service must have included time under Capt. Lathrop. Rolf was credited at Marlborough Thos. Vary (Very), under Capt. L., was wounded. See his petition, Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 260. In Felt's Ipswich it is stated that Thomas Scott (killed at Northfield) had been of Ipswich, as also Thomas Manning, Jacob Wainwright, Caleb Kimball, Samuel Whittridge. Robert Dutch, of whom Mr. Hubbard relates the wonderful recovery from apparent death, was also of Ipswich. Mention is made also of James Bennet slain, and John Fisher wounded.

The following bill of Jacob Gardiner, from Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 44, contains further names and suggestions.

An Amount of worke Done for Souldiers under y° Commands of Capt: Latherup by Jacob Gardner & by y° order John Coalman Comesary & Daniel White Counstable of Hattfield 12th of August '75

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John Tapin; a pouch and belt		0.	1.	9
Steven Butler a pouch & belt		0.	1.	9
John Presson a pouch & belt		0.	1.	9
John Dauis a pouch & belt		0.	1.	9
Samuel Hibbert a pouch & belt		0.	1.	9
Tho: Hayson a pouch & belt		0.	1.	9
Tho: Hobbs a pouch & belt		0.	1.	9
Walter Hickson a powder bage & belt		0.	2.	9
John Boynton for mending Shewes .		0.	2.	0
John Wicher a belt		0.	1.	3
Tho: Hayson a belt		0.	1.	3

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To the Honnoured Comety This is to Certifice you that these goods have been delivered to ye persons above written by ye order of:

I think it may be fairly inferred from the above bill that nearly all, if not all, those mentioned were in Capt. Lathrop's company. Fourteen of these were credited afterwards under Major Appleton, and will there appear with names a little differently spelled; for instance, Whicher, Hazen, Toppan, Tenney, etc. Hobbs and Bayley are in Russell's death-list, Hickson was credited under Capt. Poole. Presson served under Gardner at Narraganset, and next year under Capt. Turner. Hudson and Peckes appear in a later Ledger, proving that they were not among the unknown slain.

Gen. Hoyt, before mentioned, writing in 1824, relates that, "The place where this tragic affair happened is near the centre of the village of Muddy-Brook, and about thirty rods southerly of the meeting-house in that place. The stage road passes over the ground and crosses the brook on a small bridge, precisely where Lathrop passed. A rude monument was erected near the place of attack sometime after the catastrophy. It stood in what is now the front yard of the house of Stephen Whitney, Esq., on the east side of the public way, but is now gone to decay, and two plain stone flags, lying near the front of the house, are its only remains. Several gentlemen have it in contemplation to repair the old or erect a new monument, near the same spot, with appropriate inscription." The "stone slab" spoken of below may have been placed by the gentlemen referred to. See N. E. H. G. Reg., vol. xxvi, p. 435.

On September 30, 1835, the Anniversary of Lathrop's defeat was celebrated at Deerfield, and a monument was afterwards erected there, bearing this inscription:

Erected August, 1838.

On this ground Capt. Thomas Lathrop and eighty men under his command including eighteen teamsters from Deerfield, conveying stores from that town to Hadley, were ambushed by about 700 Indians, and the Captain and seventy-six men slain Sept. 18th, 1675.



Some twenty rods south of this monument the grave of the slain is marked by a stone slab bearing the simple inscription, "Grave

of Capt. Lathrop and men slain by the Indians, 1675."

On the occasion of the celebration in 1835, Edward Everett delivered the oration, and Miss Harriet Martineau was present, and afterwards wrote a sharp criticism of it. Both address and criticism were fine as literary productions, but equally faulty as history.

I am indebted to the Hon. George Sheldon, of Deerfield, for many valuable suggestions in preparing the above chapter.



VIII.

MAJOR SAMUEL APPLETON AND THE FORCES UNDER HIM.

A FULL account of the Appleton family has been published in the "Appleton Mamarial" and in the "Appleton Memorial" and various other works, and renders a brief sketch sufficient for our purpose here. Samuel Appleton, the ancestor of nearly all of the name in this country, and the first to appear here, was descended from the ancient family of Appulton of Waldingfield, Suffolk, England. He was the son of Thomas, and was born at Little Waldingfield in 1586; married Judith Everard, by whom he had six children born in England. John, born 1622; Samuel, born 1624; Sarah, born 1629; Mary, Judith and Martha. With his family he came to New England in 1635 and settled at Ipswich, where he was admitted freeman, May 25, 1636. He was chosen deputy to the General Court, May 17th, 1637, and was prominent in the affairs of his town thereafter, and died at Rowley in June, 1670. eldest son John became an influential man in the colony. successively lieutenant, captain and major, and deputy to the General Court for fifteen years between 1656 and 1678, and was honorably prominent in opposition to the Andros government. He married Priscilla Glover, by whom he had a large family, and died in 1699. Of the daughters above mentioned, Sarah married Rev. Samuel Phillips, of Rowley, 1651. Judith married Samuel Rogers, son of Rev. Nathaniel, of Ipswich. Martha married Richard Jacob, of Ipswich.

Major Samuel Appleton, second son of Samuel first, and the subject of this article, was born as noted above, at Waldingfield, and came with his father to Ipswich at the age of eleven years. His first wife was Hannah Paine, of Ipswich, by whom he had Hannah, Judith and Samuel. By his second wife, Mary Oliver (at marriage, Dec. 8, 1656, aged sixteen), he had John, Major Isaac, Oliver and Joanna. He was chosen deputy to the General Court in 1668, under the title Lieut.; also in 1669 to 1671, in company with his brother Capt. John, and again by himself in

1673 and 1675.

I have not been able to find the exact date on which Capt. Appleton marched from the Bay up towards Hadley, but infer



that it was about the first of September, and Mr. Hubbard relates that when Major Treat (on Sept. 6th) marched down from the rescue of Northfield, bringing the garrison, he met Capt. Appleton going up, who strongly urged him to turn back and pursue the Indians; but the Major overruled his wishes, and all marched back to the headquarters at Hadley. The course of events from this time to September 18th has been previously related. In the assignment of troops for the defence of the various towns, Capt. Appleton seems to have remained at Hadley, and to have been in close relation with Major Pynchon in the conduct of affairs. His Lieutenant, John Pickering, and doubtless a part of his company, were with Capt. Mosely in the fight succeeding Lathrop's defeat, and when a few days after it was decided to abandon Deerfield, and the garrison and inhabitants were removed to Hatfield, Capt. Mosely was stationed there with his force, Major Treat and his men quartered at Northampton and Northfield, and Capt. Appleton remained at Hadley busily employed in reorganizing the Massachusetts forces, caring for the wounded, and preparing for the next attack of the enemy.

Although Capt. Appleton had been in this service several weeks, his commission as "Capt. of a company of 100 men" was not issued by the Council until September 24th. (He already held the rank of Captain of the local company in Ipswich; this was a special commission for active service.) By the heavy losses under Capts. Lathrop and Beers, the Massachusetts forces were greatly reduced, and the survivors of their companies were much demoralized by the loss of the captains, and gloom and discouragement prevailed throughout the colony. It was therefore with great difficulty that the Council filled the quota of three hundred assigned by the commissioners. Secretary Rawson wrote to Major Pynchon, September 30th. "The slaughter in your parts has much damped many spirits for the war. Some men escape away from the press, and others hide away after they are impressed."

It will be seen by the following orders that the Council was using every endeavor to push forward troops to repair their losses. Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 265.

The Council do order & appoint Capt. John Wayte to conduct the 120 men appointed to rendevooze at Marlborough the 28th day of this instant September & to deliver them unto the order of Maio' John Pincheon Commander in Cheefe in the County of Hampshire & it is further ordered y'in case Capt. Samuel Appleton should be com away from those parts then the said Capt. Wait is ordered to take the conduct and chardge of a Company of 100 men under Maio' John Pincheon but in case Capt Apleton do abide there then Capt. Wait is forthwith to returne Backe unles Maio' Pincheon see cause to detyne him upon ye service of the country



On the same paper is the following:

It is ordered that there be a comission issued forth to Capt. Samuel Appleton to Command a foot Company of 100 men In the service of ye country. But in case hee should be com away from those parts then that Capt. Waite is to have (a) like comission. past 24 Sept. 1675

By ye Council

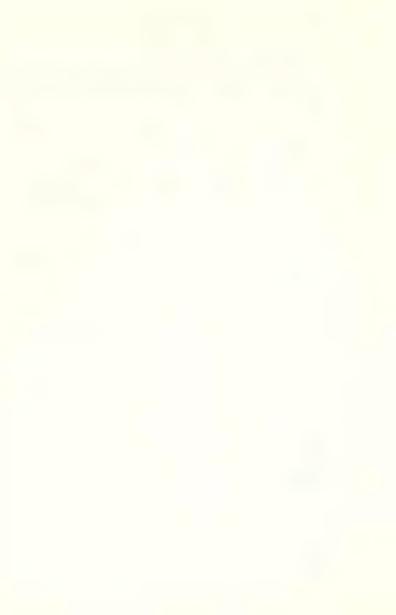
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Ordered y^t y^e Commissary Jn^o Morse deliver Mr Thomas Welden snaphant musket.

The Indians were gathered in great numbers on the west side of the river. Small parties were constantly lurking near the frontier towns, Hatfield, Northampton, and as far as Springfield, where, on September 26th, they burned the farm-house and barns of Major Pynchon on the west side of the river. Major Pynchon says, in a letter to the Council, Sept. 30th:

We are endeavouring to discover the enemy and daily send out scouts, but little is effected. Our English are somewhat awk and fearful in scouting and spying, though we do the best we can. We have no Indian friends here to help us. We find the Indians have their scouts out. Two days ago two Englishmen at Northampton being gone out in the morning to cut wood, and but a short distance from the house, were both shot down dead, having two bullets apiece shot into each of their breasts. The Indians cut off their scalps, took their arms and were off in a trice.

According to Russell's list of killed, these men were Praisever Turner and Uzacaby Shakspeer. Up to this time the Springfield Indians had been friendly and remained quietly in their large fort on the east side of the river towards Longmeadow. Some uneasiness had been felt of late in regard to them, and Major Pynchon had consulted the commissioners about disarming them. The Connecticut Council advised against the measure, and recommended rather to receive hostages from them, to be sent to Hartford for security. This plan was adopted and the hostages sent; but the Indians, excited by the successes of the hostiles, and probably urged by secret agents of Philip, resolved to join the war against the English. They managed the escape of their hostages, and waited the opportunity to strike their blow. On Monday, Oct. 4th, a large body of the enemy had been reported some five or six miles from Hadley, and immediately all the soldiers were withdrawn from Springfield to Hadley, and were preparing to go out against the Indians the next morning; but during the night a messenger arrived from Hartford or Windsor, reporting that Toto, a friendly Windsor Indian, had disclosed a plot of the Springfield Indians to destroy that town next day, and that five hundred of Philip's Indians were in the Springfield fort, ready to fall upon the town. Thereupon, early on the



morning of Tuesday, October 5th, Major Pynchon, with Capts. Appleton and Sill, and a force of one hundred and ninety men, marched for Springfield, arriving there to find the town in flames and the Indians just fled. Major Treat had also received news of the intended attack, and hastened from Westfield with his company, arriving on the west side of the river some hours before the Massachusetts forces came, but was unable to cross, though five Springfield men escaped through the enemy's lines, hotly pursued, and carried over a boat in which a party attempted to cross, but the Indians gathered upon the east shore and fired upon them so fiercely that the attempt was abandoned until Major Pynchon came. The Indians burned some thirty dwelling-houses and twenty-five barns with their contents, Major Pynchon's mills, and several of his houses and barns, occupied by tenants. Fifteen houses in the "town-plat," and some sixty more in the outskirts and on the west side were left unharmed. The people had taken refuge in the garrison-houses, which were not attacked. Two men and women were killed, viz., Lieut. Thomas Cooper, who before the assault rode out towards the fort to treat with the Indians, having two or three men with him, and was shot by an enemy concealed in the bushes a short distance from the town, but managed to ride to the nearest garrison-house, where he died. His companion, Thomas Miller, was killed on the spot. During the assault, Pentecost, wife of John Matthews, was killed, and Nathaniel Browne and Edmund Pringridays were mortally wounded.

The above account is the substance of letters written by Major Pynchon and Rev. John Russell, October 5th and 6th. The number of Indians engaged has probably been much over-estimated. The Springfield squaw captured at the time reported the whole number at two hundred and seventy. Mr. Russell said the Springfield people thought there were not "above 100 Indians, of whom their own were the chief." Rev. Pelatiah Glover, the minister of Springfield, lost his house, goods and provisions, together with a valuable library which he had lately removed to his house from the garrison-house where it had been

stored for some time.

On October 8th Major Pynchon writes to the Council an official account of the situation, telling of the great discouragement of the people and their sad state; the loss of their mills makes a scarcity of bread, and the many houseless families throng the houses that remain. The Major advises to garrison all the towns, and abandon the useless and hazardous method of hunting the Indians in their swamps and thickets. The commissioners were opposed to this course, especially those of Connecticut, who insisted that the purpose of the army in the field was to pursue and destroy the enemy instead of simply protecting the towns. In this letter of the 8th, Major Pynchon says



they are scouting to find which way the Indians have gone, and also that on that day Major Treat is summoned away to Connecticut by the news of a large body of the enemy near Wethersfield. He then earnestly reiterates his unfitness for the chief command, and declares that he must devolve the authority upon Capt. Appleton, with the permission of the Council, unless Major Treat return, when he will await their orders. The Council had, however, already granted his former request, and on Oct. 4th had appointed Capt. Appleton to the chief command in his place. His commission, together with letters and orders to Major Pynchon, were sent up by Lieut. Phinehas Upham and his company of recruits, and did not reach them until October 12th, when he immediately took command. The commission is as follows:

Capt. Appleton.

The Councill have seriously considered the earnest desires of major Pynchon & the great affliction upon him & his family, & have at last consented to his request to dismiss him from the cheefe command over the Army in those parts, and have thought meet upon mature thoughts to comitt the cheefe comand unto yourselfe, being perswaded that God hath endeowed you with a spirit and ability to mannage that affayre; and for the Better inabling you to yo' imploy, we have sent the Councills order Inclosed to major Pynchon to bee given you; and wee reffer you to the Instructions given him for yo' direction, ordering you from time to time to give us advise of all occurences, & if you need any further orders & instructions, they shall be given you as y' matter shall require. So comitting you to the Lord, desireing his presence with you and blessing upon you, wee remaine:

Your friends and Servants

Boston 4th of October

Capt. Samuel Appleton,

Commander in cheefe at the head quarters at Hadley.

The letter of October 4th, from the Massachusetts Council to Major Pynchon, in which the orders above referred to were inclosed, is in the Massachusetts Archives, vol. 67, p. 280, as follows:

Mass. Council to Major Pynchon

Honoured Sr

Your letter dat Sept. 29. wee received and although wee could have desired your continuance in that trust committed to you as comander over of forces in y' p's, yet considering your great importunity y' reasons alledged wee cann but greatly simpathize with you in y' present dispensation of Divine Providence towards your family in your absence and have ordered Capt. Apelton to take the charge as Comander in Cheife over the united forces whiles in o' Colony, and uppon a removall of the seat of Warr the Comanders to take place according to (the) appoyntment of y' Commissioners. We have considered (that) you will not be wanting to afford the best advice & assistance you may, although dismist from y' perticular charge. It is the Lord's holy will yet to



keep his poore people at a p'adventure and y' in this case wherein our all is concerned and there is none to tell us how long, yet is it o' duty to wayte on him who hideth his face from the house of Israel, and to say wh ye Ch: I will brave ye indignation of God untill he ple(ad)e our case, &c. Commending you & yours, & y low estate of his people to ye shepardly Care of him who hath made it one p' of his great name, Mighty to Save; wee take leave and remayne,

Yor assured fireinds,

ERS Past y^e Council.

Boston 4th of Sept. (should be Oct.) 1675

Wee have ordered L'Upham to lead up to you 30 men and do further order that L'Seill be dismissed home to his family, and his souldjers to make up some of y'companies as y'chiefe Comander shall order & y'above named L'Upham to be L'under Capt Wayte. These for Major John Pynchon.

S' It is desired when the companies with you are filled up, such as are fitted to be dismist be sent back with Lef' Sill & Corporal Poole & to send downe what horses you cann, and as may be conveniently

spayred.

On assuming command on October 12th, Capt. Appleton writes a long letter, expressing his sense of the honor conferred and the great responsibility imposed by the appointment, and declaring that he is led to accept by the urgency of the occasion and his regard for the earnest wishes of Major Pynchon; and while deprecating his own incapacity, promises to do his best until they may find some abler officer for the position. He agrees with Major Pynchon in regard to present methods, and asks that the commissioners revise that part of their instructions which strictly prohibits fixing soldiers in garrisons. He adds his account of the condition of Springfield, and asks the Council to support him in the step he has taken in stationing Capt. Sill and his company there for the town's security. He complains of the prolonged absence of Major Treat and his company at Hartford. He says that "There being now come in sixty men under Capt. Poole and Lieft. Upham, and we needing commanders, especially part of our men being now at Springfield, & we not daring to send all thither, we have retained Capt. Poole to comand these sixty men untill further orders be given."

October 17th he writes an account of their movements up to

that date:

On Tuesday Octo: 12. we left Springfield & came y night to Hadley neer 30 mile. On y 13th & 14th we used all diligence to make discovery of y enemy by Scouts, but by reason of y distance of the way from hence to Squakeage & y timorousnesse of y Scouts it turned to little account; thereupon I found it very difficult to know what to doe. Major Treat was gone from us, and when like to return we knew not. Our orders were to leave no men in garrison, but keepe all for a field



armye, weh was to expose the Towns to manefest hazzard. To sitt still and do nothinge is to tire o's [ourselves] and spoyle o' souldiers, and to rain ye country by ye insupportable burden and charge. All things layed together, I thought it best to goe forth after the enemy we'n or p'sent forces. This once resolved, I sent forth warrants, on ye' 14th instant, early in the morning to Capt. Mosely & Capt. (as he is called) Seely at Hatfeild and Northampton, to repair fourthwin to ye headquarters, y' we might be ready for service, etc.

Capt. Mosely came promptly, but Seely tardily and then without his company, pleading his want of commission from Connecticut authorities, but finally agreeing to return and bring his men. Before he started from Northampton, however, he received orders from Major Treat not to leave that town, and sends that word to Capt. Appleton. The Captain much exercised by this seeming insubordination, posts away letters of complaint to the Connecticut Council, and urges the return of Major Treat, whom he highly commends as "a worthy Gentleman and discreete and incouraging Comander." After this he drew out his own men and marched towards Northfield, but before proceeding two miles intelligence came that the Indians were discovered in great numbers on the west side of the river. Thereupon he crossed to Hatfield with the purpose of marching to Deerfield. Night came on as they left Hatfield, and after marching some miles his officers urged the exposed condition of the towns left without garrisons and the uncertainty of the enemy's movements, and the night promising to be tempestuous, he yielded his purpose and returned, against his inclination, to headquarters. On the evening of the 16th an urgent request for reinforcement comes from Northampton, which is threatened, and later, word from Capt. Mosely that the Indians are discovered within a mile of Hatfield; and so at midnight he crosses the river to Hatfield, leaving only about twenty men to guard Hadley and their wounded men. In a postscript to this letter, added on the afternoon of the 17th, he says that after "a tedious night and morning's march" they had not succeeded in finding the enemy.

It is supposed that Philip had an active part in the planning of the various operations of this time, though there is no evidence

that he was personally present at any of the attacks.

Several letters in this time passed between Capt. Appleton and the Council of Connecticut, which are full of interest as showing the varying aspects of affairs at the time. Connecticut urges that their own towns are threatened, and further that Plymouth Colony has not sent its quota, and that there is no certain movement on foot that demands the presence of their troops at Hadley, etc. These letters are preserved in the Mass. Archives, vols. 67 and 68, and have been published in the "Appleton Memorial." and certain of them elsewhere.

It is unfortunate that no letters of Capt. Appleton relating to



the attack upon Hatfield on October 19th are preserved. There can be no doubt that he wrote an official account of it; but the Massachusetts Council had not received the news on October 23d. for on that day they wrote Capt. Appleton in answer to his of the 17th, and make no reference to any attack. The next letter to him from the Council, so far as known, is dated November 1st. and refers to one from him of the 29th October, which would seem to have been mainly taken up with a relation of the insubordination of the Connecticut officers. Doubtless several letters passed that are lost. The letters from a merchant of Boston to his friend in London, published in Drake's "Old Indian Chronicle," give information of the beginning of the attack. The Indians built large fires north of Hatfield, and then lay in ambush by the way leading thither. Ten horsemen were sent out as scouts about noon, of whom nine were shot down or captured by the Indians in ambush, and one escaped back to Hatfield, and immediately the enemy came with fury about the town. But, says Mr. Hubbard ·

According to the Good Providence of Almighty God, Major Treat was newly returned to North-Hampton, Capt. Mosely and Capt. Poole were then garrisoning the said Hatfield, and Capt. Appleton for the like end quartering at Hadley, when on a sudden 7 or 800 of the enemy came upon the town in all quarters, having first taken or killed two or three of the scouts belonging to the town and seven more belonging to Capt. Mosely's company, but they were so well entertained on all hands where they attempted to break in upon the town that they found it too hot for them, Major Appleton with great courage defending one end of the town, and Capt. Mosely as stoutly maintaining the middle, and Capt. Poole the other end; that they were by the resolution of the English instantly beaten off without doing much harm. Capt. Appleton's serjeant was mortally wounded just by his side, another bullet passing through his own hair, by that whisper telling him that death was very near but doing him no other harm.

Night came on, and in the darkness it was impossible to tell the losses of the enemy; numbers were seen to fall, some ran through a small river, others cast away their guns, and as usual they carried away their dead. Of the English slain at Hattield. Mr. Russell's list has the names of ten, viz.: Freegrace Norton (Appleton's sergeant), of Ipswich, mortally wounded, and died at Hadley soon after; and of the scouts, Thomas Meekins. Jr., of Hatfield: Nathaniel Collins, his servant, Richard Stone, Samuel Clarke of Mosely's company, John Pocock of Captain Poole's, Thomas Warner, Abram Quiddington, perhaps of Boston, William Olverton (possibly Overton), John Petts. Three of these are said to have been taken alive, of whom two were redeemed by some gentlemen at Albany, and arrived at New York the next February; one of these belonged in Boston. The third man was barbarously killed by the Indians.



evinced a stubborn determination to destroy these river towns, and a few days after the attack upon Hatfield prepared to asault Northampton; Major Treat's opportune arrival foiled them again. They waylaid every road between the towns. On the 27th a party with Major Pynchon were thus ambushed, and John Dumbleton and John and William Brooks were killed. About this time also a Mr. Granger was wounded.

In their letter of November 1st the Massachusetts Council assure Capt. Appleton of speedy action in regard to his affairs at the seat of war. They sustain him in his authority and position towards Connecticut troops, and advise him that in case Major Treat again withdraws, to improve his own troops as best he may, and await their further advice. They rebuke him for assuming to appoint Cornet Poole captain without their authority, and instruct him that it is his place to recommend any officer for promotion to the Council to receive his commission at their behest.

On November 10th Capt. Appleton had not received any further advices from the Council and writes them for orders, and gives explanation of his action in regard to appointing Poole, that he acted from necessity, and as is evident very wisely. He then details his motions since October 29th, when two men and a boy at Northampton were attacked. (These were Joseph Baker, Joseph Baker, Jr., and Thomas Salmon, and Mr. Russell puts with them John Roberts, a wounded soldier, who died there soon after.) On the 30th, at night, upon an alarm from Hatfield, Capt. Appleton was called out of his bed and pushed his troops across the river, where he remained over the next day, Sunday. On Monday he marched ten or twelve miles out through the "Chestnutt Mountains," scouting, without avail. Tuesday he consulted with Major Treat, and agreed to march on Wednesday night with their whole force towards Deerfield, which they did without finding the enemy, and returned late at night. On the 5th an alarm at Northampton, and another fruitless search. Upon a request of Major Treat on the 6th for permission to withdraw his soldiers from Westfield to seek the enemy down the river, a council-of-war was appointed for Monday the 8th, at which meeting Capt. Appleton took the ground that he had no authority from the commissioners to grant them leave to withdraw. Major Treat took a very frank and manly position, by no means hostile to Capt. Appleton. The trouble seems to have been the unwillingness of the Connecticut soldiers to remain in garrison at Westfield. The report of the council-of-war is submitted to the Massachusetts Council for the orders of the commissioners. He says they are at loss to find out the present location or intention of the enemy, but fear they may be upon them in force at any moment. He suggests that if the army be drawn off for the winter and the towns garrisoned, Connecticut troops might more conveniently be placed and supplied at Westfield and Northampton, and the other three towns garrisoned with Massa-



chusetts men. He reports a council-at-war, at which David Bennet, chirurgion, was expelled from the army for "quarrel-some and rebellious Carriage," and submits the action for ratification to the Council. He sends down as posts, Serg. James Johnson, Serg. John Throp, and Nathaniel Warner of Hadley, and with them Capt. Poole, to whom he refers them for a more detailed account of matters.

While awaiting the long delayed instructions of the Council. Capt. Appleton stood in a very difficult position, the Connecticut officers and soldiers in great impatience and almost open mutiny at being kept in garrison; and the people, crowded into the garrison-houses in fear that Philip's whole force might at any hour fall upon them, were threatening to abandon their towns. The Council of Connecticut, too, were apparently interfering with his command of their troops. On the other hand were the authority and orders of the United Commissioners, to which he adhered with inflexible energy. On November 12th he issued a proclamation (Archives, vol. 68, p. 54) to the inhabitants and soldiers of all those towns under his charge, forbidding any one to withdraw from his appointed place without special permission "given under his hand;" giving his reasons for the step, and asserting the authority of the commissioners. The Connecticut people were very loud in their complaints against this measure, but he rigidly held to it, daily expecting the further directions promised by the Council of Massachusetts, till finally despairing of such relief he reluctantly vielded to the importunities of Connecticut, and on November 19th dismissed Major Treat and his forces at Westfield to march downward to the Connecticut towns, accompanying the order of permission with an urgent request to the Council there that Westfield and Springfield may be regarrisoned by their forces. On the same day he writes to Governor Leverett, complaining of the long neglect of the Council at home, and saving that it has kept him in constant and tedious expectation until obliged to yield to Connecticut's demands, and now necessity forces him to dispose of his forces as best he may. He complains of the condition of the horses; many will soon be unfit for service, and if put upon "dry meate" (i.e. hay), the cattle of the people must perish during the winter, as hay is very scarce. They have no certain intelligence of the enemy, but have received word from Owenequo, son of Uncas, that Philip boasts himself to be a thousand strong. He speaks of his proclamation and its results, and encloses a copy of the same and his correspondence with Connecticut Council also, and urges the Governor to send him further directions speedily. He then proceeds to garrison the several towns with the forces at his disposal, the details of which will be given in a special chapter. The following orders of disposal are dated November 19 and 20, and are preserved in full in the Mass. Archives, vol. 58, pp. 65 and 66.



Twenty-nine soldiers taken out of the companies of Capts. Mosely and Poole and Lieut. Upham are left at Westfield in charge of Sergt. Lamb, and all under the command of Capt. Aaron Cooke. John Roote is appointed commissary of this garrison, and orders are drawn upon James Richards, of Hartford, or Mr. Blackleach, for whatever of clothing is necessary. Thirty-nine men from Capt. Sill's company are left at Springfield with Lieut. Niles, all to be under command of Major Pynchon. Twenty-six men are left with Sergt. — at Northampton, to be under command of Lieut. Clark; and thirty men under command of Capt. Poole are stationed at Hadley. Thirty-six are left at Hatfield

with Sergt. Graves, under command of Lieut. Allice.

Capt. Appleton appointed a council-of-war for the ordering of military matters in the towns, consisting of the commissioned officers of the various garrisons, together with Dea. Peter Tilton, of Hadley, and Sergt. Isaac Graves, of Hatfield, and Capt. Poole was made president. These arrangements seem to have been made in anticipation of the order of withdrawal of the army, which was authorized by the Council on November 16th. - Mass. Archives. vol. 68, p. 58. Their letter had not reached him on November 19th. This letter gives a long account of the operations of Capts. Henchman and Syll now in the Nipmuck country. Then "touching the disposal of the Army," the direction is left at his discretion, and as to the wounded men, those fit for garrison duty are to be left as part of the garrison soldiery and the rest to be comfortably provided for. The special instructions seem to have been in accordance with the Major's own suggestions in his last letter to the Council. On the march home it is suggested that he come by way of "Wabquisit" (now in Woodstock, Conn.), and, if convenient, to form a iunction with Henchman and Syll and "distress the enemy" gathered near there. This little plan, so easy to conceive in the Council Chamber, for excellent reasons was never realized. Capt. Appleton, with his forces, marched homeward probably about November 24th. Very little is known of the march home-This campaign cost the colony very dearly in men and means, but had saved from destruction five of the seven western towns. For the first time since the war began, a competent commander is at the head of the Massachusetts troops.

Upon the organization of the army for the expedition against the Narraganset Fort, Major Appleton was appointed to the command of the Massachusetts forces. A partial account of that expedition and its results has been given in a previous chapter relating to Capt. Mosely. On December 9th the Massachusetts force, consisting of six companies of foot under Capts. Mosely, Gardiner, Davenport, Oliver and Johnson, and a troop of horse under Capt. Prentice, mustered on Dedham Plain under command of Major Appleton, who himself led the first company. They were joined by the Plymouth forces, two companies under



Major William Bradford and Capt. John Gorham. The quota of Plymouth Colony was one hundred and fifty-eight men. That of Massachusetts five hundred and twenty-seven.

In the Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 91, I find this fragment rela-

tive to Major Appleton's division:

The full complement of the Massachusetts is 527, 13 under the impressed men, so that if there should want 13 troopers and be but 62 troopers besides their officers there would be but 465 foote & if less than 62 troopers they must be suplyed with so many foote soldjers.

These seem to be fragments of memoranda, the latter list being on the back of the paper. This refers to the number in the six companies, and gives an excess of 99 over the estimated quota of 465 foot. I doubt that this excess includes Capt. Prentice's troopers as might at first appear, his company not being set down; but his lists and credits published hereinbefore give few if any of the names included in Appleton's, Mosely's or Johnson's lists, which were taken at Dedham, December 9th, and contain exactly the numbers above. It is probable that the excess consisted of volunteers, the regular quota being impressed men. In this expedition Capt. Mosely took Capt. Hubbard's place, and then his company was not made up wholly of volunteers.

Troopers -	- Boston	15	foote	Major Appleton	136	
•	Prentice	20		Capt. Johnson	75	
	Hasey	20		Capt. Ollivers	83	
	Corwine	10		Capt. Davenport	75	
	Appleton	1		Capt. Gardiner	95	
	* *			Capt. Mosely	92	
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Mr. Hubbard says that the force from the latter colony mustered there four hundred and sixty-five "fighting men besides a Troop of Horse" under Capt. Prentice. Gov. Josiah Winslow, of Plymouth, was commander-in-chief of the army in this expedition, and with this force marched to Woodcock's Garrison (Attleboro'), that day, thence to Seaconck, where they arrived on the night of the 11th, and on the 12th passed over Patuxet River, and by way of Providence arrived at Wickford, at Smith's Garrison, at night. After several days spent in scouting and skirmishing, as previously related, on the 18th they all marched out to Pettisquamscott and met the Connecticut forces, consisting of five companies, three hundred and twenty-five men, under Major Treat, and the whole army were forced to bivouac in the open air in a driving snow-storm during the night, Bull's Garrisonhouse at that place having been burned by the Indians but a few days before. At daybreak next morning they took up their



march over the rough country through the deepening snow, each man carrying his own arms, rations, etc. In this march the Massachusetts division led; Plymouth held the centre and Connecticut the rear. This army, the largest and best organized that had ever been in the field in the American colonies, arrived about 1 o'clock, P.M., at the borders of the great swamp where the Indians had gathered in great numbers and had built a strong fortification and now awaited the attack. The full account of the battle must be completed in several chapters, wherein the names of those in the remaining companies of Major Appleton's division are given. The conduct of the Major and his men here, as elsewhere, was creditable. In May, 1676, the Court voted to repay the losses of divers persons who were "damnified" by the burning of Major Appleton's tent at Narraganset.

Credited under Capt. Samuel Appleton.

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December 10, 1675.		Isaac Ellery	02	10	06		
Thomas Davis	04	18	06	Daniel Ringe, Corp ¹		11	
John Ford	03	10	00	John Pengilly, Corp ¹		19	
Israel Thorn	03	18	00	Stephen Greenleaf			
Thomas Waite	03	18	00	Richard Hancock		18	
Francis Young, Corp ¹	04	11	00	John Whicher, Serg ^t	05	17	00
Ezekiel Woodward	05	17	00	William Williams	03	18	00
Samuel Rust	04	00	00	Joseph Blancher	02	14	10
Sylvester Hayes	05	03	00	George Stedman	02	10	06
Stephen Gullifer	02	10	06	Thomas Sparke	03	18	00
Thomas Hastings	02	14	00	John Raymond	03	18	00
Roger Vicar	02	10	06	Samuel Foster	03	18	00
Stephen Butler	03	18	00	Henry Cooke	03	18	00
Robert Sibly	02	10	06	Samuel Hebard	03	18	0.0
William Knowlton	04	16	10	John Davis	03	18	00
Thomas Brown	02	10	06	Samuel Ierson	03	18	00
Thomas Ferman	04	16	10	Joseph Eaton	02	10	06
Isaac Ilsley	02	10	06	James Brearly	04	16	00
Samuel Brabrook	02	10	06	Abial Sadler	03	18	00
Arthur Neale	02	10	06	William Wainwright	03	18	00
John Boynton	04	16	10	Benjamin Webster	04	16	10
Israel Henerick	03	18	00	John Warner	02	10	06
Robert Simson	03	18	00	Ephraim Cutter	03	04	06
Samuel Very	03	18	00	Thomas Abbey	03	18	00
Philip Matoone	02	10	06	John Dennis	04	18	06
Philemon Dean	05	17	0.0	Josiah Bridg		16	
Gershom Browne	03	18	00	Roger Markes	02	10	06
Andrew Heding	02	10	06	Timothy Breed		18	
Robert Downes	03	18	00	Thomas Chase	03	18	
Robert Pease	03	18	0.0	John Parker	01		00
Thomas Tenny	03	18	0.0	John Wheeler	09	12	0.0
Thomas Hazen	03	18	00	John Conant		16	
William Webb	02	10	06	Edmond Sheffeild		16	
Solomon Watts	02	10	06	John Robins		18	
Nathaniel Masters	04	16	10	Anthony Williams	03	18	00
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John Gamidg		16		Thomas Hazon	02	14	00
Elias Tatingham	03	18	00	Simon Gawin	02	02	00
Eleazer Flagg	02	10	06	Ephraim Cutter	02	14	00
Samuel Pepar	02	10	06	William Brown	02	14	00
Seth Story	04	16	00	Thomas Waite	02	14	00
Nathaniel Wood	02	10	06	William Russell	02	14	00
Joseph Mansfield	03	18	00	William Sawyer	02	15	08
Benjamin Chadwell	02	10	06	April 24, 167	6		
John Pikering, L^{t}	04	05	10	Francis Young	04	05	02
John Newell	03	18	00	Samuel Browne	02	1.4	00
Richard Sutton, Corp ¹	05	12	0.0	Gershom Browne	02	14	00
John Rily	02	16	06	Solomon Watts	02	02	00
Michael DeReeke	04	16	10	Stephen Gullipher	03	03	00
Jeremiah Swaine, L'	09	15	00	Manasseh Kempthorne	03	08	06
Benjamin Langdon	02	10	06	Thomas Abby	05	02	00
Richard Bryar	03	18	0.0	June 24th, 167	76		
William Stanly	03	16	02	John Thorp	08	18	00
Joseph Richardson	03	18	00	Joseph Eaton	02	14	00
Henry Bedwell	04	16	10	John Mors, Commisary	07	10	00
John Tappin	04	16	10	John Dodge	01	10	00
Caleb Richardson	04	16	10	Edward Neland	02	00	00
Edward Ardway	04	16	10	Edward Marston	01	04	00
Thomas Parlor	03	18	00	Ambros Dawes	03	06	06
Daniel Hawes	02	10	06	Jonathan Emery	02	14	00
Robert Dutch	04	16	10	Jonathan Copp	04	19	06
Samuel Ingolls	03	18	00	Thomas Davis		14	
Jonathan Copp		10		Simon Adams		14	
William Bateman		16		William Knowlton	02	16	
Stephen Greenleaf	00	16	00	Thomas Rogers	02	15	
January 25, 167				Jonathan Emery		00	
William Hawkins, Dr.	04	08	06	Christopher Keniston	04	10	
John Warner	01		00	Thomas Dow	02	14	
Ralph Powell	01		06	Eleazer Flagg		14	
Jonathan Copp		04		John Davis		14	
March 24, 1675		0.1	00	George Stedman		14	_
Thomas Kylam	02	15	06	Thomas French		15	
Samuel Peirce		15		James Butterick		14	
Edward Ardway		15			03		
John Thomas		15		Eliah Tottingham		15	
Samuel Foster		14		John Pengilly		04	
John Harvy		00	-	Henry Poore	02	15	
Edmund Brown		05		John Raymant		16	
Samuel Tiler		07		Isaac Ashby		16	
Lewis Zacharius		15		James Spike		18	
Philemon Dane	05	11		Samuel Poore		16	
William Hodgkin		15		John Cutler Chirurgion		00	
John Perkins		05		Robert Simson		04	
Thomas Palmer		14		Robert Leech		18	
		14		John Lovell		15	
Joseph Bigsby		15		Abiell Sadler		15	
Robert Downes		14		Philip Matoon		15	
John Layton			1				
John Stickney	02	14	UU !	Thomas Sparkes	02	14	UU



Jacob Willer, Chirurgion15	00 00	Richard Prior	02 15 08
Samuel Appleton, Major 30	00 00	David Bennett	13 00 00
July 24th 1676		John Lovitt	01 04 00
Richard Godfrey 04	16 00	Israel Blake	01 04 00
	14 00	Abraham Drake	01 04 00
Joshuah Boynton 02	14 00	Morris Hobbs	01 04 00
	15 08	Francis Gennings	$01 \ 04 \ 00$
August 24th 1676		John Sleeper	01 04 00
Zacheus Newmarch 02	14 00	Israel Clifford	01 04 00
Richard Way 06	15 00	Micael Towsely	01 04 00
Benjamin Newman 02	08 10	William Samborn	01 04 00
	14 00	Thomas Roby	01 04 00
Samuel Perkins 02	15 08	John Browne	01 04 00

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 104.

A List of Major Sam¹ Apletons Souldjers y' were slayne & wounded The 19th Decemb '75 at the Indian's fort at Narraganset

Samuell Taylor of Ipswich Isaac Illery of Glocester Daniel Rolfe of Newbery Samuel Taylor of Rowley 1 Leift. Jerrimyah Swayne of Redding Roger Markes of Andiver Isaac Ilsley of Newbery Wm Standley of Newberv Dani. Somersby of Newbery Jonathan Emery of Newbery Jnº Dennison of Ipswich Jn° Harvey of Newbery George Timson of Ipswich Tho: Dowe of Ipswich Symon Gowen of Rowley Benj. Webster of Salem Ellia Thathan of Oborne Tho: Abey of Wenham Benj. Langdon of Boston Solomon Watts of Roxbury Jnº Warner of Charlestowne Samuell Boutericke of Cambridge

4 men Slayne

eighteen men wounded who are at Road Island except ye Left. & Roger Marks

January 6 '75

The following paper, preserved in the Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 97, is the roll of Major Appleton's company in the Narraganset campaign. Jeremiah Swain of Reading was Lieutenant.

Serg't Ezek Woodward Steven Buttler Serg't John Whicher Samuell Verry Steven Gullever Daniell Hall

'In the list of killed appear two Samuel Taylors. In the credits is found Samuel Tiler. In a list of men impressed at Kowley, Nov. 22, 1875, I find Samuel Tiller. Among the wounded, Timson undoubtedly meant Stimpson, and "High Thathan of Oborne," was what the clerk made out of Elijah Tattingham of Woburn. The name appears elsewhere as Totenham and Totman. The other changes are simple.



Serg't ffrancis Young Serg't Daniel Ringe Corp John Pengillie Corp James Brarly Clarke Phillemon Dean Trump John Wheeler Trump Josiah Bridges Thomas Wayte Thomas Sparkes Abiell Saddler Gershom Browne Israel Henricks Thomas Tennie Thomas Hazon Robert Downes Richard Briar Joseph Richardson Thomas Chase William Williams Thomas Abbey John Rayment Robert Leach Samuell Hebbert Anthonie Williams

William Waynright Samuell Foster Henry Cooke 1 Robert Simson Israel Thorne Samuell Jerson John Newhalle Timothie Breed Samuel Pipin Phillip Mattoone Nath Wood Robert Sibbly Will. Webb Joseph Eaton Roger Vicar Arthur Neale Isaac Ellirie Ben Chadwell John Davis Samuel Brabrooke Isack Ilsley Roger Markes Ben Leingdon John Reylie

Solomon Watts Eliezer Flagg John Warner Thomas Firman Will Knowlton Nath Masters Michale Derrick Thomas Davis Calleb Richardson John Boventon Seth Story Ben Webbster Edward Ardaway Samuel Ruste Silvester Haz Will Russel Sam. Peirce Sam. Buttrick Ephraim Cutter George Stedman Edmund Sheffeild Roger Joans,

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Those yt are wanting

John Ford Thomas Parlor John Davis Robert Peas

The men yt are now listed

Mosses Pengrie John Denison John Perkins Abraham Knowlton Thomas ffossey 1 Lewis Zachriah John Loywell Sam. Peirce George Stimson Thomas Dow Thomas ffrensh Sam. Hunt John Thomas Abraham Fitts Richard Bedford Thomas Killam Isack Cummins Richard Partsmore

Samuel Perkins Peter Emmons Nath Emerson Symond Adams Zacheus Newmarsh John Hobkins John Sticknie Joseph Jewett Joshua Boyenton John Levton John Jackson Will Brown Caleb Jackson Sam. Tyler Thomas Palmor Joseph Bigsby Simond Gowin Daniell Somersby

Christopher Bartlet Edmond Browne Jonathan Emerie Christopher Kenniston Christopher Cole John Straton John Harvey George Maier Nicolaz Rollings Thomas Roggers Cornelius Davis Jonathan Clarke Will'm Sayward William Warrin John Shepard John Guylie Morgain Joanes

¹ Are scratched out in the MS, ffessey appears elsewhere as Fausee, Pipin as Pepar, Guylle as Guild. Some twenty-five on this list do not appear in Hult's credits under Major Appleton, but I have found nearly all mentioned elsewhere.



Richard Priar Ben Newman Will Hodskins Sam Taylor Amos Goddin Samuell Lovewell Steven Swet Izrah Roff Sam. Poore Henry Poore 61 new men 75 old souldjers 136

Soon after the battle of Narraganset Major Appleton retired from his protracted and arduous service in the field. On the 19th of October, 1676, the Court appointed him to command an expedition to Pascatagua; but he probably declined, as the order was rescinded on October 23d. He was reëlected deputy in 1676, and subsequently, except 1678, until 1681, when he was chosen Assistant, and remained in that office till the coming in of the Andros government in 1686. He was proscribed by Sir Edmund's officer, Randolph, as one of the "factious." He was arrested on the general complaint of being "evil disposed and seditious." October 19th, 1687, and refusing to submit and give bonds for his good behavior, was committed to Boston jail, where he was kept many months till his age and increasing infirmities forced a reluctant submission, and he was set at liberty, March 7, 1688. In the new charter of William and Mary, in 1691, he was made one of the Council. He died May 15, 1696, leaving an honored name which his posterity have continued in honor to the present day. "Of all the military commanders of this war I must consider Major Appleton the ablest; and the tide of warfare in the western towns turned towards safe and successful methods from the time of his appointment to the command. I should place Major Treat, of Connecticut, next to him, and perhaps in the same position he would have been equal."



CAPT. ISAAC JOHNSON AND HIS MEN.

ISAAC JOHNSON was the son of John, of Roxbury. He was born in England and came to Massachusetts with his father's family, probably in the company with Gov. Winthrop. He

was admitted freeman March 4, 1635.

He was of the Artillery Company in 1645, and was its captain in 1667. He was ensign of the "Rocksberry" military company previous to 1653, and on June 13th of that year was elected captain. He was representative 1671.

He married Elizabeth Porter, of Roxbury, January 20, 1637, and had Elizabeth, born Dec. 24, 1637; John, born Nov. 3, 1639, died 1661; Mary, born 24 April, 1642; Isaac, baptized 7 Jan'y, 1644; Joseph, baptized 9 Nov., 1645, died soon; Nathaniel, born 1 May, 1647. The daughter Elizabeth married Henry Bowen, who became lieutenant of his company and was in the Swamp Fight. The Bowens, with many other Roxbury people, removed sometime after 1686 to the township of New Roxbury, granted them by Massachusetts Colony, but was afterwards found to be within the Connecticut bounds and was renamed Woodstock. The eldest son Isaac married Mary Harris and removed to Middletown, Conn. Isaac's son Joseph inherited his grandfather's Narraganset claim, being then of Woodstock. The captain's daughter Mary married, in 1663, William Bartholomew, and removed to Branford, Conn. The youngest son, Nathl. Johnson, married Mary Smith in 1667, and sometime after 1683 removed, probably to Marlborough. Through these four surviving children Capt. Johnson's descendants were quite numerous. His widow died 13 Aug., 1683.

On the 6th of July, 1675, while the forces under Major Savage were at Mount Hope, Capt. Johnson was sent with a small escort to conduct the fifty-two friendly Indians, raised by Major Gookin, to the army. From the fragment of a letter from Capt. Johnson to the Court, dated at Boston, July 10, 1675, we learn that a company of these Indians was sent back from Mount Hope with him, and that some trouble occurred with one of the oldest, called Tom, at Woodcock's Garrison, where they were resting on the march. This is the letter as it remains. I am not sure that this

is not the whole of the letter or statement:



Upon the 4th day of this week being at Woodcockes house and the Inglish and the Indians geting some refreshment and fixing their arms there was one from the oldest of them indians that was sent backe with us from the Army and withdrew himselfe from our Company under the pretence of geting a helve for his hachet but staying long we sent out 6 men to see if they could find him in their search they found his hachet and a new knife: of his and returned without him we being desirous if it might be to find what had become of him sent againe 6 men they could not yet find him, we went to super (that is we seaven Inglish) before it was quite darke and while we were at super the said Tom did make approach towards the other indians and was deserned by them and som of them called to him (sum say it was one or more of the indian Sentinells called to him) and bid him stand but he would not but fled away upon the which there being sum stire or commosion amongst the indians we rose from super and went out they telling us what was the caus of the tumult amongst them; there was an indian seen as before and now was run away telling of us which way he went I bad them follow and see if they could each him and Woodcock sent out his doggs also they did soone take him and one of the Indians laying hold of him this indian did strike him on the side of the necke with a hatchet which he had borrowed to get a helve for his owne; but the indian that was strooke by sum indians preventing the force of the blow the hurt was small which otherwise might have beene mortall for any thing we know; we Inglish making all the hast to them we could did rescue the man that is that tom out of the rest of the indians hands as wee did apprehend caus lest he should have beene pulled in peeces or killed by them; we had him in to Woodcocks hous: I asked him the reson of his doing after that maner as he did doing as though he intended mischeefe where as he had promised the govenor of the bay he would doe faithful service against phillip and his men; he answered he was counseled to doe as he did by Samson and another long Island indian they two indians were called and I asking of them if they did give Tom counsell to doe us hurt or to make trouble amongst us Samson first spake dening to have given Tom any such counsell; then the long Island indian spook denieing any such thing: upon which said Tom laid two peeces of mony in my hand and told me they each of them gave him one of them peeces to hire hime to do what he did: they bothe denied the giving of him any mony; woodcoke being by desired he might se the mony I gave it him; he says Tom had that mony of him he having soe much lickors of him as cam to 3d he changed a shilling for the said Tom & gave him a 64 & a 34 and that was the 64 & 34 which Tom did not denie. I told Tom he pretending soe as he had done to the governor as before and marching with us now part of two dayes and serve us thus he did acknowledg he had rebelld & deserved to dve only desired he might die a quick . . . death by which I doe supose his meaning was that he might not be delivered into the hands of the Indians

boston 18th July 1675

youer honnor Servant

Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 219.

Isaac Johnson

Here we see the prejudice against the Indian blinding the



captain to the real culprit, Woodcock, whose "lickors" had

made the poor savage "crazy drunk."

On July 15th, on the news of the attack upon Mendon, Capt. Johnson was sent out with a company to relieve that town, and was joined there by Capt. Prentice and his troop about July 21st. The two captains address letters to the Court July 23d, explaining the situation of affairs at Mendon; these letters are lost, but notice of them occurs (Mass. Arch. vol. 67, p. 226) in a Court Order of July 26th, commanding the return of both companies, except a guard to be left at Mendon by Capt. Johnson.

Upon the mustering of forces for the Narraganset campaign, Capt. Johnson was placed in command of a company made up of men from Roxbury, Dorchester, Milton, Braintree, Weymouth, Hingham and Hull, seventy-five all told. Eight more were impressed, but did not appear. The company took part in the memorable march and attack on the fort, as before related, and the brave captain was among the first to fall while gallantly leading his men across the fallen tree-trunks at the entrance to the

fort.

Credited under Capt. Isaac Johnson.

August 27 16	75 -			Sept. 14th			
Benjamin Wilson	00	12	00	John Whaley	02	09	00
John Gates	00	12	00	Thomas Wadduck	00	11	00
John Barnes	00	12	00	Nov. 30 th			
William Gemmison (ali	ias			John Ireson	00	11	00
Jamison)	00	12	00	William Jaques	00	11	00
Thomas Hunt	00	12	00	Jan'y 25 th 1675	-6		
Experience Orris	01	12	00	Nathaniel Beale	00	17.	00
Richard Cowell	00	12	00	February 29			
Isaac Johnson Capt.	05	17	03	John Langley	01	00	00
James Couch	00	12	00	William Hasey	02	14	00
David Landon			02	Samuel Lincolne	04	01	00
John Rugles	00	12	00	Joshua Lazell	02	14	00
Sept. 3 ^d				March 24th 16	75		
Ephraim Child	00	12	00	Joseph Richards	02	16	0.0
George Walden	00			Allin Dugland	-00	11	02
Nath ^I Toy	00	12	00	Thomas Thaxter	02	16	00
·				John Burrell	02	14	00

Under Capt Johnson and Capt Jacob

March 24th	1675			Isaac Prince	02	14	00
Francis Gardnett	02	14	00	George Vicary	02	09	00
Ephraim Lane	02	14	00	John Bosworth	02	14	00
James Read	02	14	00	Christopher Wheaton	02	08	00
William Mellowes	02	14	00	Joseph Benson	02	16	00
John Whitmarsh	02	14	00	Isaac Morris	02	14	00
John Read	02	14	00	April 24, 1676	;		
James Humphreys	02	14	00	John Fenner	00	15	04
John Lovell	03	00	00	William Davenport	02	14	00
Isaac Cole	02	14	00				



Under	Capt	Johnson,	June	$24^{\rm th}$
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John Scott	02 14 00	Hezekiah King	02	19	00
Benjamin Bates	$05 \ 02 \ 00$	Henry Bowen Lieut.	06	03	0.0
Samuel Gardner	02 16 00	Ebenezer Hill	02	14	00
Joseph Goard	$02 \ 14 \ 00$	July 24			
Nathaniel Wilson	$02 \ 14 \ 00$	John Plum	02	14	00
Samuel Basse	$02 \ 14 \ 00$	Zachariah Gurny	02	14	00
Joseph Tucker	04 01 00	Charles Cahan	02	14	00
Ebenezer Owen	$02 \ 14 \ 00$	Onesiphorus Stanly	02	14	00
William Savell	03 12 00	John Spurr	02	14	00
Francis Nash	$02 \ 14 \ 00$	August 24			
Thomas Copelane	$02 \ 14 \ 00$	Henry Bartlett	02	14	00
Martin Sakins	$02 \ 14 \ 00$	Hopestill Humphries	02	14	00
Jonathan Pitcher	00 12 00	Thomas Grant	02	14	00
James Atkins	02 14 10	John Watson	00	18	00
Isaac Johnson Capt.	05 11 00	Sept 23 ^d			
William Lincolne	$02 \ 09 \ 00$	John Bull	0.0	18	00
John Watson	01 16 00	Thomas Davenport	00	10	02
John Langley	$04 \ 00 \ 00$				
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The following list of Capt. Johnson's company, made at Declham December 10th, 1675, is preserved in Massachusetts Archives, vol. 67, p. 293.

List of Capt Johnson's Company

W^m Hearsey

Roxbury,	Tho: Grant	Weymouth
Henry Bowen	Tho: Davenport	Hezek: King
John Watson	Robert Stanton	Jonas Humphrey
W ^m Lincolne	wanting	Joseph Richards
Abiel Lamb	Henry Withington	Allin Dugland
John Scot	George Minot	John Whitmarsh
Onesiphorus Stanly	Isaac Ryall	Peeter Gurnay
Isaack Morrice	Milton	Edward Kingman
\mathbf{W}^{m} Danforth	John Fennow	John Read
Joseph Goad	Obadiah Wheaten	James Read
Sam ^î Gardiner	Joseph Tucker	John Lovet
Nath: Wilson	Benj. Crane	Will Mellis
John Hubbard	Braintry	John Hollis
Tho: Baker	Ebenezer Owen	John Burril
wanting	Sam. Basse	Hinghom
Thom: Cheney	W ^m Sable	Benj. Bates
John Corbin	Tho: Holbrook	John Jacob
John Newel	Rich Thayer	John Langley
Dorchester	Martin Sannders	Edward Wilder
Hen'y Mare his man	Francis Nush	Tho: Thaxter
Hopestill Humphrey	Increase Niles	Ebenezer Lane
John Spurre	Henry Bartlet	Sam: Lincolne
Ebenezer Hill	Tho: Copeland	Ephraim Lane
Nicholas Weymouth	James Atkins	Joshua Lazel
John Plummer	Jonathan Pitcher	John Bull

Charles Cahan



Francis Gardiner Nath Beales Nath Nichols Humphrey Johnson wanting W^m Woodcock *Hull* George Vicar John Bosworth Joseph Benson W^m Chamberlin Christo: Wheaton Isaack Prince Isaack Cole Henry Chamberlain 75 appeared 8 appeared not

The following is preserved in the Mass. Archives, vol. 68, page 104:

The names of those soldiers y^t were slayne & wounded of Capt Johnson's Comp* December 1675

Capt Isa: Johnson of Roxbury Jonathan Pitcher, Bran; (Braintree)

Tho: Davenport Dr (Dorchester)
Allin Dugland of Weymouth,
4 slain

Jos° Watson of Roxbury
W^m Linekorn of Roxbury

John Spur of Dorchester Benj. Crane of Milton Jnº Langley of Hingham Jnº faxton of Hingham Isaack King of Weymouth Left. Phineas Upham of Malden wounded eight, and were at Road Island Jan. 6th 1675-6

Upon the death of Capt. Johnson and the mortal wound of Lieut. Upham, the command of that company devolved upon Ensign, afterwards Lieut., Henry Bowen. After the battle, it would appear that Capt. John Jacob of Hingham was appointed to the command of the company, as many of the credits show his vouchers in the account.



CAPT. JOSEPH GARDINER AND HIS MEN.

JOSEPH GARDINER (or Gardner) was the son of Thomas and Margaret Gardner of Salem. He married, before August, 1656, Anne Downing, daughter of Emanuel Downing and niece of the first Gov. Winthrop.

He was a man of energy and ability, and held many positions of honor and importance in Salem. In May, 1672, he was appointed by the General Court of Massachusetts lieutenant of

the foot company under Capt. William Price of Salem.

On May 12, 1675, the militia of Salem was divided into two companies by order of the Court, and by the same order the election of Joseph Gardiner as captain of the First Company in Salem was confirmed. When the expedition against Narraganset was organized, Capt. Gardiner was appointed, November 3, 1675, to command the company raised at Salem and the adjoining towns, and mustered his men, ninety-five strong, at Dedham Plain December 10th, and marched with the army towards the rendezvous at Wickford. During the march several skirmishes took place, and Mr. Hubbard relates that some of Stone-wall-John's crew "met with some of Capt. Gardiner's men that were stragling about their own business contrary to order, and slew his Sergeant with one or two more." In "Capt. Oliver's Narrative" it is related that on this occasion the Indians "killed two Salem men within a mile of our quarters and wounded a third so that he is dead." The names of these are given in the list below. fall of Capt. Gardner is thus related in Church's "Entertaining History: "

Mr. Church spying Capt. Gardner of Salem amidst the Wigwams in the East end of the Fort, made towards him; but on a sudden while they were looking each other in the face, Capt. Gardner settled down, Mr. Church stepped to him, and seeing the blood run down his cheek lifted up his cap and calling him by name, he looked up in his face but spake not a word, being mortally Shot through the head.

After the death of Capt. Gardiner, the command of his company fell upon his lieutenant, William Hathorn, under whom



the men served during the campaign, until disbanded in February. It is thus that the men were credited sometimes under Gardiner, sometimes Hathorn, occasionally both; the latter's name, signed to the voucher or "debenter" which each soldier presented to the paymaster, doubtless confused the clerk and caused this appearance of double command. Capt. Hathorn's subsequent career at the eastward will be given in its proper place.

Capt. Gardiner's widow, then aged about thirty-four, married June 6, 1676, Gov. Simon Bradstreet, whose age was about seventy-three. She died April 19, 1713, aged 79. Leaving no children, Capt. Gardiner's Narraganset claim fell to the oldest male heir of his eldest brother Thomas. This heir was Habakkuk Gardiner, son of the Captain's nephew Thomas, who in the list of claimants claims in the "right of his uncle, Capt. Joseph Gardiner."

Capt. Joseph Gardiner and his men.

February 29th 167	\$ 6	6	- 1	Amos Gurdon	02	14	10
•	£	s.	d,	Peter Emons	02	14	10
William Hathorne, Capa	. 11	09	08	William Webb	02	14	00
Samuel Gray	03	06	07	Robert Sibly	02	14	00
Peter Cary	02	14	00	Andrew Ringe	05	08	00
Jeremiah Neall	04	18	00	Benjamin Langdon	03	00	00
Peter Cole	02	14	00	James Briarly	04	01	00
Joseph Price	01	13	00	Benjamin Webster	02	14	00
Samuel Tarbox	03	09	03	Freegrace Norton	03	12	00
Sam. Beadle	04	01	00	Israel Thorne	02	14	00
Benjamin Hooper	02	14	00	Ezekiel Woodward	02	04	00
Rice Husband	02	14	00	John Wheeler	05	08	00
Marke Stacy	02	14	00	William Wainwright	02	14	00
William Hollis	02	18	00	John Boutell	00	18	00
John Clark	01	14	00	Jonathan Clark	02	14	00
Thomas Weymouth	02	14	00	William Williams	02	14	00
William Hutchins	02	07	00	Samuel Rust	04	01	00
Christopher Read	02	14	00	Benjamin Sweet, Lieut.	03	00	00
William Bassett	05	04	04	Henry Dow	01	16	00
Samuel Graves	-02	14	00	Silvester Hayes	03	03	00
John Farrington	02	02	00	Thomas Tenney	02	14	00
William Driver	02	14	00	Joseph Jewett	02	14	00
Andrew Townsend	02	14	00	John Boynton	02	14	0.0
Jonathan Looke	02	14	00	Peter Coomes	03	08	00
Charles Knight	-03	03	00	Jonathan Copp	01	04	0.0
John Prince	03	15	08	John Mann	02	04	00
Andrew Sargeant	02	19	02	March 24th 1675	-6		
Edward Haradine	02	19	02	John Vowden	02	14	00
John Trask	02	17	08	Lawrence Majore	02	14	00
Joseph Houlton	02	14	00	Thomas Flynt	02	16	00
Isaac Welman	02	14	00	Thomas Greene	02	14	00
William Pritchett		14		John Read		14	
John Maston	02	14	00	Adam Gold	02	14	00
Benjamin Chadwell	02	-14	0.0	Zacheus Perkins	02	14	00
Stephen Greenleaf	01	10	00	William Pabody	02	14	00



Joseph Gardiner, Capt.	05.	03	٥٨	Amos Gourdin	Δ1	04	ΩΩ
James Fry			00	Daniel Johnson			
						10	
Leonard Toser		14	00	Jeremiah Neale, Lieut.	03	00	00
April 24th 167	δ.			August 24th 1676			
Thomas Kenny	02	14	00	Edward Counter	02	14	00
John Stacy		14	00	Ebenezer Barker	02	02	00
June 24th 1676				Thomas Russell	02	14	00
Francis Jefford	02	14	00	Joseph Jeffords	01	09	00
Samuel Phelpes	02	14	00	Thomas Vely	02	05	00
John Presson	02	14	00	Eleazer Linsey	01	16	00
Joseph Abbott	02	14	()()	Thomas Bell	04	05	08
Samuel Pickworth	00	11	06	Sept 23d 1676	3		
Abraham Snitchell	01	01	00	Mark Bacheler	00	14	00
Michael Towsley	02	15	08	Robert Coeks	02	02	00
Thomas Kemball	02	14	00	Moses Morgaine	02	14	00
Thomas Blashfield	02	14	00				
William Allen	02	14	00	Credited under Capt. 1	Tatl.	orn	e.
Edward Whittington	02	14	00	Samuel Story	04	05	08
John Parker	02	14	00	Peter Ashamaway	04	05	08
Philip Butler	02	14	00	Jacob Knight	01	10	00
James Wall	04	10	10	William Wainwright	04	16	06
John Ballard	02	14	00	Samuel Moulton	01	04	00
July 24, 1676				James Creeke	04	04	00
William Hathorne, Capt.	07	03	09	James Cox	04	05	00

A list of ye names of Capt. Gardiner's Souldiers for this p'sent Expedition

Serjeant Jeremiah Neall Serjeant William bassett Ser' Samuel bradell Corp. Samuell Pikworth Charls Knight John boden William holess Marck Stace Samuell Gray Larance Magery John Polott Philip butteler Benimen Lemon

Salem.

Edward Counter Lenard Tossier William Hind Joseph Price

Th^o Flint Pelter Prescote

Isack Read

Tho. Butfingtog John Stacey

Henery Rich Tho. Greene James Wall

Joseph Holton jun^r

Tho. Reny

Joseph Dees—wounded

Abraham Switchell

Samuell ffrail—not apearing

ffrances Jefford Clem. Rumeall

Adam Gold Samuell Tarbox

Marblehead.

Petter Coll Henry Codner

Auguster fferker David Shapligh

Petter Cary

Robertt Cooks

Edward Severy

Ephraim Jones

Lenerd Belinger Philip Brock

Thomas Weymouth \ These men \ Thomas Weymouth \ wanting of

Thomas Russell) their Comp'y



Topsfield.

William Peabody Zacheus Curtis Zacheus Perkins Robertt Andrews Isek burton

Andover.

Nathan Stevens
James Fry
Eben barker
John Parker
Joseph Abett
John balard
John Lovejoy
Edward Whittington
Samuell Philips
John P'ston

Gloster.

John Prince
Andrew Serjant
Joseph Somes
Vinesont Davis
Moses duday

Beverly.

Christopher Brown John Trask Thomas Blashfield Lott Cunant Christopher Read William fferyman Moses Morgine John Clark William Allen William bath Richard Hussband

Nicholas Huchin John Linsey Robert driver Daniell Huchin John Davis

Samuell Graves
Andrew townsend
Thomas baker

Johnathan Looke Iseck Welman Isaack Hartt John Farington Samul Rods

Mark Bacheler Richard Hutten Thomas Kemball

Philip Welsh John Hunkens

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 93.

A Lyst of Capt Joseph Gardiner Company y' were wounded and Slayne of his Company, some y' 16 Decr & Other 19th dec 75

Joseph Rice of Salem Samuel Pikeworth of Salem Mrke Batchiler of Wenham Capt Joseph Gardiner of Salem Abra. Switchell of Marblehead Joseph Soames of Cape Anne Robert Andrews of Topsfield Charles Knight of Salem Nicholas Huchins of Lynn Thomas flint of Salem Jnº Harrington of Lynne Robert Cocks of Marblehead Eben Baker (Barker) of Andiver Edw^d Mardin of Cape Ann Joseph Read of Beverly Joseph Abett of Andiver Joseph Holeton of Salem

wch. 3 were slayne abroad from ye garrison

4 men Slayne more

10 men wounded

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 104.



CAPT, NATHANIEL DAVENPORT AND HIS MEN.

YAPT. NATHANIEL DAVENPORT was born in Salem. Mass., and was the son of Richard Davenport and his wife Elizabeth Hathorn. Richard came to Salem with Endicott in 1628, from Weymouth in Dorsetshire, was admitted freeman September 3, 1634, was ensign in the local militia same year, and in 1637 served as lieutenant in the Pequod expedition, where he was wounded. He was representative in 1637, and joined the Artillery Company in 1639. Removed to Boston in 1642 and was appointed captain of the Castle, which post he filled for many years, and was there killed by lightning on July 15, 1665. His children were Nathaniel; Truecross, born 1634-5; Experience, baptized August 27, 1637; John, baptized September 19, 1641, at Salem; and at Boston he had Samuel, baptized June 28, 1656; Sarah, September 30, 1649; Elizabeth, September 13, 1652; William, born May 11, 1656. The widow died June 28, 1678.

Nathaniel spent his boyhood and youth at Salem and at the Castle. He was evidently a man of enterprise and ability, and for some time was concerned with several Boston men in an extensive business between Boston and New York. He married

Elizabeth Thacher, daughter of Thomas.

From his early surroundings at the Castle he naturally acquired experience of military matters, and his business pursuits gave him wide acquaintance with the affairs of the colonies in their commercial relations. In the difficulties with the Dutch at New York he was evidently a trusted agent of Massachusetts, his residence for some time in New York giving him great advantage. In volume II. "New York Colonial History" are found letters passing between Edward Rawson, Secretary of Massachusetts, and N. Bayard, Secretary of "New Netherlands," showing that in 1673 Mr. Nathaniel Davenport and Mr. Arthur Mason were sent by the Massachusetts Colony to demand the restoration of some vessels which had been seized by the N. N. government, and they threatened reprisal, etc., if the vessels were not given up. In a later letter of Bayard to Rawson in



regard to this demand, he refers to Mr. Davenport as a "spy." His experience and prominence would thus seem to mark him as a leader in the war, but it is evident that his residence abroad had precluded his holding military office in the colony, where the choice was made by the people of each town, and was made a matter of confirmation by the Court. Capt. Davenport had returned to Boston in 1673, and at the time of the fitting out of the Narraganset Expedition in December, 1675, was serving on the jury at the Court of Assistants, whence he was summoned to take command of the 5th Company in the Massachusetts Regi-This company was made up chiefly of men from Cambridge and Watertown, to most of whom Captain Davenport was a stranger; but it is said that he, on the occasion of "taking possession of his company, made a very civil speech to them, and also gave them free Liberty to choose their own Serjeants themselves, which pleased them very well, and accordingly did so." The company joined the rest of the forces at Dedham plain, and marched to Narraganset with the army. In "Oliver's Narrative," one item concerning Capt. Davenport appears, mentioned with characteristic brevity. "Dec. 17th That Day we sold Capt. Davenport forty-seven Indians young and old, for Eighty Pounds in money." I have found nothing to solve the doubt as to whether it was the enterprise of the merchant or the humanity of the man that prompted the purchase. I find no mention of such sale on the treasurer's books. On December 19th, at the great Fort fight, Mr. Hubbard relates that "Capt. Mosely and Capt. Davenport led the van."

The death of Capt. Davenport is thus related in the "Old

Indian Chronicle" above mentioned, p. 181:

Before our men came up to take possession of the Fort, the Indians had shot three Bullets through Capt. Davenport, whereupon he bled extreamly, and immediately called for his Lieutenant, Mr. Edward Ting, and committed the charge of the Company to him, and desired him to take care of his Gun, and deliver it according to Order and immediately died in his Place. . . . And it is very probable the Indians might think Capt Davenport was the General because he had a very good Buff Suit on at that Time and therefore might shoot at him.

Capt. Davenport left no children, and his nephew, Addington

Davenport, inherited his Narraganset claim.

Lieutenant Edward Ting (or Tyng) commanded the company during the rest of this campaign, and many of the credits are given under him as Captain. He was the son of Capt. Edward Tyng of Boston, and was born March 26th, 1649. He removed to Falmouth in 1680, and soon after married Elizabeth, daughter of Thaddeus Clark and great-granddaughter of George Cleeves. He was in command of Fort Loyal 1680 and 1681; was a counsellor and magistrate for Maine under President Danforth, and in 1686



was appointed by the King one of the council of his brother-inlaw Joseph Dudley, and afterward under Andros, who made him lieutenant-colonel and placed him in command in the province of Sagadahoc in 1688 and 1689, and after the reduction of Nova Scotia was appointed governor of Annapolis, but on his way to that place his vessel was captured by the French, and he was taken to France, where he died. He was a man of great energy and ability, and was a large land-owner in Maine; but as he favored and served the Andros party, became very unpopular with the people.

Credited under Capt. Nath Davenport & Capt. Ting, February 29th 1675-6

Nathaniel Sanger	02	14	00	Timothy Rice	02	14	00
Thomas Hall	02	14	00	James Smith	02	14	00
John Cutler	02	14	00	Jacob Bullard	02	14	00
Caleb Simons	02	02	00	Matthew Gibbs	02	14	00
William Peirce	02	14	00	June 24th 1676	i		
John Baldwin	00	10	03	Joshuah Woods	02	14	00
Nathaniel Damport Capt	.05	07	00	Daniel Woodward	02	14	00
Theoder Atkins	00	15		James Haughton	00	19	08
Edward Ting Capt.	11	13	06	Abraham Temple	02	02	0.0
Gershom Cutler (Cutter)	02	14	00	David Batchelor	01	18	
Thomas [Nicho]ls	02	14	00	Ambros Mackfassett	02	14	00
Stephen Farr	02	14	00	Jonathan Remington	10	18	08
Samuel Lamson	03	07	00	Peter Bateman	02	08	0.0
John Shelden	04	13	00	Samuel Dymon		14	
Moses Whitny	02	14	00	John Taylor		14	
Jonathan Smith	02	14	00	John Wood		14	
Joseph Smith		14		Zachariah Snow	02	02	00
Daniel Warrin		03		Isaac Emsden " als Alm			
Isaac Lerned	01	15	02	den "		06	
Thomas Parker	00	18	00	William Gleson		14	
John Polly	02	14	00	Samuel How		12	
William Roberts	02	14	00	Thomas Brown		02	
John Baker	0.0	10	03	John Salter		14	
Joshua Bigalo		14	00	Jacob Amsden		14	
March 24th 1675				Jeremiah Toy		14	
Joseph Buss	03	03	00	George Hayward		12	
John Wheeler			00	Dennis Hedly		14	00
Nathaniel Healy		02		July 24th 1676			
George Herington		14		Joseph Wheeler		09	
William Wade			00	John Baker	_	05	
Thomas Rutter			00			14	
John Haws			00	James Mathewes	01	09	00
Samuel Swan		00		August 24th 167			
John Drury $L^{\mathfrak{t}}$	04			John Priest		10	
William Price		14	00	2111	02		
April 24th 167				Jonathan Lawrence	02	14	00
John White	02	14	00				



The following is preserved in the Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 104:

The List of those y^t were slayne & wounded of Cap Nath! Davenport —

Capt. Nath: Davenport
Sarg' Theod' Atkinson

George Howard of Concord
Jn' Hagar of Watertown

Sam. Swayn of Cambridge
Sam. Read of Cambridge
Sam. Stocker of Meadford
Nath Healy of Watertowne
Isaac Learned of Watertowne
Tho. Browne of Concord
Abra: Temple of Concord
David Batchelor of Redding
Caleb Symon' of Ooburne
John Backer of Wooborne
Zachary Snow of Wooborn

4 men Slayne

11 men wounded

The following lists of men impressed in several towns where Capt. Davenport's company was raised will serve to identify many of the names. Of course, many of those impressed were either excused for disability or escaped from the service in some other manner. See Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 100, and for separate lists, pp. 67–100. The returns were dated from Nov. 25 to Dec. 3, 1675.

From Cambridge. Corpl Jonathan Remington James Hubbart Edward Winship junior Isaack Emsden Nathaniel Patten William Glesson John Withe Jacob Emsden Jonathan Laurenc John Emsden John Salter Samuel Swan Daniel Woodward Samuel Read Gershom Cutter 15 From Watertown. Daniell Warrin, St John Bigulah, S' Nathaniell Hely Joseph Tayntor Jr John Whettney Sr

George Herrington James Cutting. William Hagar Jr John Parkhurst Michaell Flegg Jacob Bullard Isaack Learned Joseph Waight George Dill Jonathan Smith Willyam Price Jr Nathaniell Sangar Moses Whettny Enoch Sawtell John Bright John Hastings John Bacon John Chadwick John Windam Ben Douse Nath Barsham John Barnard

¹ In the credits these appear as Hayward and Swan.



Ephraim Géarffield Joseph Smith 29

From Woburn.

John Carter William Johnson James Convars John Cutler William Peirce John Baker

Zachariah Snow John Polly

John Preist John Berbeane John Shilden

Thomas Hale John Bolen

Caleb Simons Peter Bateman

Jerimiah Hood 16

From Sudbury. William Wade.

Samuell Bush John White June Tho. Rutter Peter Hones Jr James Smith

Dennis Hedley

Matthew Gibbs Ju Daniel Herrington 9

From Cambridge Village. Samuell Hides Jr

Peter Henchet Joshua Woods

Jonathan Bush From Reading.

Samuel Lamson David Bachelder

James Carr

Samuel Daman Seabred Taylor

Thomas Nichols William Robards Nicholas Lunn 8

From Meadford.

James Stokes Jeremiah Tov 2

From Concord. Joseph Busse

Abraham Temple Samuel How John Wood Joseph Wheeler Thomas Browne John Wheeler

Timothy Rice George Hayward Stephen Farre John Taylor 11

Capt. Davenport's company numbered seventy-five men. Substitutes often appear instead of those impressed. Fifty-seven in the above list, and three besides among the wounded and killed, are thus accounted for. Some of the rest received credit in a later Ledger.



XII.

CAPT, JAMES OLIVER AND HIS MEN.

JAMES OLIVER was the son of Thomas and Ann, who came from England in the ship "William and Francis" (by another account the Lion) 9 March, 1632, with their family of six sons and two daughters. Bristol, Somersetshire, is said to have been the old home of the family. They settled in Boston, where the father became ruling elder and of wide influence in the affairs of the new town. He died June 1, 1658, aged ninety years, according to John Hull's Diary, leaving sons who held places of honor and trust in the colony, and whose posterity, in successive generations to the present, have held the name honorably.

James was admitted freeman 12 October, 1640. Was of the Artillery Company, and chosen Ensign 1651, Lieutenant 1653, Captain 1656 and again 1666. Was chosen selectman of the town in 1653 and served several years; was also an inspector of the port and a merchant of eminence. He was of the First Military Company of Boston, and was elected Captain probably in 1673. He was appointed to command a Boston company in the Narraganset campaign. His appointment was dated November 17, 1675, and men to fill this company were impressed from the several town companies, including his own, as is seen by the second list below. Taking command of his company, he joined the army at Dedham Plain and took part in the subsequent movements of the campaign, being one of the few fortunate officers who passed through the great Swamp Fight unscathed, and remained in command of his company until the return and dismissal at Boston February 5th, 1675-6.

While the army was at Narraganset, at the Garrison House of Mr. Richard Smith (their rendezvous after the great fight, now embraced in the town of Wickford, R.I.), Capt. Oliver wrote the following account of the campaign, the original of which

¹The letter, as here given, is taken from the foot-notes of Gov. Hutchinson's History of Massachusetts, vol. i. p. 390, of first and second editions, and 2°2 of the third edition. Mr. Hutchinson said there was no signature, and attributes it to Major Bradford, but a simple comparison with Hubbard's account shows the author to have been Capt. Oliver, and this canciusion is rendered certain by Mr. Drake ('Pook of the Indians,') 2.19, foot-note), who had seen the original, signed James Oliver, and found this, which appears in Mr. Hutchinson's notes "correct in the main particulars," when compared with the original. He thought Mr. Hutchinson used a copy without signature, as must have been the case; and I would suggest that copy was made by Mr. Hutchinson used extensively in his work. It is to be recretted that Mr. Drake did not speak more definitely about the original, or better still, publish it in some one of his many works. Mr. Drake refers to it as "Capt, Oliver's Narrative." Is the original now in existence?



I have failed to find trace of, after diligent search and inquiry.

The letter, as published by Gov. Hutchinson, is as follows:

Narraganset 26th 11th month 1675

After a tedious march in a bitter cold night that followed Dec. 12th, we hoped our pilot would have led us to Pomham by break of day, but so it came to pass we were misled and so missed a good opportunity. Dec. 13th, we came to Mr. Smith's, and that day took 35 prisoners. Dec. 14th, our General went out with horse and foot, I with my company was left to keep garrison. I sent out 30 of my men to scout abroad, who killed two Indians and brought in 4 prisoners, one of which was beheaded. Our Army came home at night, killed 7 and brought in 9 more, young and old. Dec. 15th, came in John, a roque, with pretence of peace, and was dismissed with this errand, that we might speak with Sachems. That evening, he not being gone a quarter of an hour, his company that lay hid behind a hill killed two Salem men within a mile of our quarters, and wounded a third that he is dead. And at a house three miles off where I had 10 men, they killed 2 of them. Instantly, Capt Mosely, myself and Capt Gardner were sent to fetch in Major Appleton's company that kept 3 miles and an half off. and coming, they lay behind a stone wall and fired on us in sight of the garrison. We killed the captain that killed one of the Salem men, and had his cap on. That night they burned Jerry Bull's house, and killed 17. Dec. 16th came that news. Dec. 17th came news that Connecticut forces were at Petaguamscot, and had killed 4 Indians and took 6 prisoners. That day we sold Capt. Davenport 47 Indians, young and old for 80l. in money. Dec. 18th we marched to Petaguamscot with all our forces, only a garrison left; that night was very stormy; we lay, one thousand, in the open field that long night. In the morning, Dec. 19th, Lord's day, at 5 o'clock we marched. Between 12 and 1 we came up with the enemy, and had a sore fight three hours. We lost, that are now dead, about 68, and had 150 wounded, many of which are recovered. That long snowy cold night we had about 18 miles to our quarters, with about 210 dead and wounded. We left 8 dead in the fort. We had but 12 dead when we came from the swamp, besides the 8 we left. Many died by the way, and as soon as they were brought in, so that Dec. 20th we buried in a grave 34, next day 4, next day 2, and none since here. Eight died at Rhode Island, 1 at Petaquamscot, 2 lost in the woods and killed, Dec. 20, as we heard since; some say two more died. By the best intelligence, we killed 300 fighting men; prisoners we took, say 350, and above 300 women and children. We burnt above 500 houses, left but 9, burnt all their corn, that was in baskets, great store. One signal mercy that night, not to be forgotten, viz. that when we drew off, with so many dead and wounded, they did not pursue us, which the young men would have done, but the sachems would not consent; they had but 10 pounds of powder left. Our General, with about 40, lost our way, and wandered till 7 o'clock in the morning, before we came to our quarters. We thought we were within 2 miles of the enemy again, but God kept us; to him be the glory. We have killed now and then 1 since, and burnt 200 wigwams



more; we killed 9 last Tuesday. We fetch in their corn daily and that undoes them. This is, as nearly as I can, a true relation. I read the narrative to my officers in my tent, who all assent to the truth of it. Monhegins and Pequods proved very false, fired into the air, and sent word before they came they would so, but got much plunder, guns and kettles. A great part of what is written was attested by Joshua Teffe, who married an Indian woman, a Wampanoag. He shot 20 times at us in the swamp, was taken at Providence Jan'y 14, brought to us the 16th, executed the 18th. A sad wretch, he never heard a sermon but once these 14 years. His father, going to recall him lost his head and lies unburied.

This letter shows something of the well-known sympathy of Capt. Oliver with the popular party which at that time so bitterly opposed all concessions towards the Indians, and denounced even their most trusted magistrates and ministers, like Major Gookin and Rev. John Eliot, who sought to protect the friendly or "Christian" Indians from persecution. On one occasion many of these had been seized and imprisoned (by Capt. Mosely, as has been related) at Boston, awaiting trial. On Sept. 10th, at 9 o'clock at night, a mob collected, and presuming upon Capt. Oliver's sympathy, went to his house and proposed that he should lead them and take one of the Indians out of the prison and hang him; but the Captain, boiling with rage at this insult to him-self, "cudgelled them stoutly" with his cane from his house. Capt. Oliver married, between 1641 and 1655, Mary, widow of John Frend and daughter of Thomas Dexter, who died before he did, and left no issue to him; at his death in 1682, two of his nephews, John and Nathaniel Oliver, administered upon his estate, and his nephew, Daniel Oliver, Esq., inherited his Narraganset claim.

In a petition to the Court, May 19, 1680, he states that he has served town and country many years, at home and abroad, and hath spent therein the prime of his strength and estate, and later much of what was left to him was consumed by fire, and now being aged and infirm in body, prays to be dismissed from further service as captain of the town company, and also that the Court, in view of his decay, grant to him "the Island whereon the Indian Wianenset lately dwelt lying neer Dunstable," etc.

In answer to this the Deputies passed a vote: "Considering the petitioner's present Incapacity of getting a livelyhud by Reson of his Lameness," etc., and "y he dweling with his kinsman Nathaniel Barns, Doe for the Relife of ye petitioner, give and grant unto s^d Barns, his heires and Assignes forever, a small Island of upland Containing about twenty acres (more or less) we lyeth in Merimak River near to Mr Jonathan Tings farme, we Island hath been Commonly Caled & knowne by y name of Tinker's Island," etc. Mass Archives, vol. 45, p. 174. See also vol. 70, p. 47.



The magistrates did not concur in the grant while consenting to the dismissal, but appointed a committee, Capt. Samuel Adams of Chelmsford and Lieut. William Johnson of Woburn, to see if the Island was included in any former grant. I have not found their report, but Barnes' was granted, "Oct. 1681 two hundred acres of land where it is to be found not prejudiciall to any new plantation." See Colonial Records, vol. v, pp. 278-9 and 331.

The following are in Hull's Journal:

Credited under Capt. James Oliver:

February 29th 16	75		1	Richard Barnam	00	12	04	
Ezekiel Gilman		03	00	Joseph Bemish	02			
Alexander Boyle	03	00	00	John Harwood		18		
Richard Cowell	03	03	00	Aaron Steevens	02	15	06	
Daniel East	03	03	00	Thomas Stanes		14	00	
Thomas Hunt	02	14	00	April 24, 1676.				
David Landon	02	14	00	William Backaway	02	14		
James Couch	02	14	00	James Harrington		14		
John Cann	02	14	00	William Dinsdell		14		
Samuel Measy	02	14	0.0	Gamaliel Rogers .		14		
Richard Read	02	19	00	James Harris		10		
Jeffery Jefferies	02	14	00	Henry Critchett		10		
Patrick Moroone	02	14	00	Roger Brown	02		00	
Thomas Warren		14		William Madrill		14		
William Baker	02	14		Mark Round		14		
Rowland Boulter	02	14	00	John Crooke		14	00	
John Kendall	02		00	June 24, 1676.				
Josiah Belcher	02		00	Daniel Clough			00	
Robert Emans	02	14	00	John Verin	02	14		
Alexander McKenney	02	_	00	Ephraim Turner <i>Lieut</i> .	07		06	
Samuel Jenkins			00	Benjamin Pickering			00	
Thomas Hansett			00	Henry Kerby			00	
John Casey	03			Gilbert Foresight			0.0	
John King		03		James Knott			00	
James Lindall			00	Joseph Barber			00	
Samuel Lane	_	14	00	John Wilkins		14	00	
March 24th 1675-6			July 24th 1676 William Kemball 02 14 00					
Thomas Bingly			00					
Thomas Brown		06		Roger Prosser		14	0.0	
Thomas Burch		14		August 24, 16			0.0	
Richard Drue				THOUSAND THE STATE OF THE STATE	02	14	00	
Joseph Knight		01		Sept. 23 ^d 1676 Ralph Powell 02 14 00				
Alexander Forbs		12		Ralph Powell				
Henry Timberlake	03	12	00	Archabald Forrest	02	14	00	

The following list, which contains the names of those impressed out of the various Boston companies for this service, under Captain Oliver, will be found different in several respects from the credit list above. In the credits but sixty-one names appear, while among the slain and wounded are four more, making, with



the Captain, sixty-six. In the second list there are seventy-nine in all and thirty-one not credited in Hull. Many of these latter are doubtless boys and substitutes, as appears in the list of slain and wounded, where so many are "Servants" (i.e.) apprentices probably.

There are fourteen names in Hull's list not found in the second. In the official muster at Dedham Plain Capt. Oliver's company numbers eighty-three. The discrepancy would doubtless be explained had we the later journal of Mr. Hull's

accounts.

The Boston companies are designated by the names of their captains, and the numbers accompanying each denote the number of men from each.

A List of the Souldiers und Command of Capt. James Olliver.

Imprimis Capt. Ollivers, 17 Capt. James Olliver Lieut. Turner Tho. Bingley --- Sergt Bennitt Sergt Ingram Sergt Timberleys Sergt Meares Charles Lidgett James Butler James Coutch Mr Symon Lynds W^m Midleton Rich: Crispe Will: Douglis Natt: Ellkin Rich: Burford James Lendall

> Major Savidge, 7 Will^m Elliott Jnº Brigs Jo: Knight Saml Laine Patraick Moraine Gilbert fforesyth Jn° Kendall

Major Clark, 12 Will: Blackwell Splande Decroe

Tho: Burch Henry Timberley Henry Kerbee Joseph Wakfeild Will^m Kemble Will^m Backua Rich: Travis Peter Ingsbee Will: Drue Jnº Allen

Capt Hudson, 9 Gamaliell Rodgers Tho: Brown Dan'l East Roger Procer Jnº ffeilder James Thomas David Landon Will^m Dinsdell Jnº Wilkins

Cpt. Richards, 10 Ezekiell Gillman Jnº Cann Danil Cluff Eliezar Gilbert Hugh Prize Will: Madareell Henry Crittchitt Marke Rounds Jon Bevis Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 95.

Will^m Dolliver

C. Hinchman, 6 James Whippo Saml Jenkins Tho: Staines Jnº Verin Robt Emins Ralph Powell

Cpt Clark, 8 Rowland Bowlter Tho. Hunt Jefery Jeffers Aron Stevens Houell Davis James Harrington Rich: Drue Rich: Cowell

Cpt Hull, 10 James Harris Allexander Bogell Wm Baker Archibell fforest Josiah Bellcher Dan'l Harris Henry Lizonby Jⁿ Hudson Jnº Case Jnº Cleares



A List of ye Slayne & wounded in Capt Olliver's. 19th of December, 1675 Thomas Broune for Paul Bat of Boston Alexander fforbes Splende Decroe Servt to Dani, -5 men Slavne. James Thomas Hen: Hall, for Mr Ligett, lost -Sargt Peter Bennet Sargt Timberley 7 men James Lendall wounded and W^m Kemble Serv^t to Jn^o Cleere are at Ezekiel Gilman Marke Rounds Servt to Hen: Kemble Road Hand. Alexander Bogell John Casey Servant to Tho: Gardiner, Muddy River. Mass. Archives, vol. 68, pp. 103-4

Besides these, many more were disabled from active service, from the cold and exposure.

EPHRAIM TURNER, Capt. Oliver's lieutenant in this expedition, was the son of Robert Turner, who came to Boston, September 4, 1633, in the ship Griffin, with Rev. John Cotton. Robert is styled "Vintner" in the deed of April 1, 1652, from Richard Fairbanks, conveying the estate upon which he rebuilt or enlarged the house where he established the famous hostlery known as the "Blue Anchor Tavern" for more than fifty years. The "Boston Daily Globe," April 2, 1885, whose building now occupies the site of the ancient hostlery, published a very interesting account, by William R. Bagnell, of the successive buildings and residents that have occupied the premises. Among the occupants was Gen. Henry Knox. Of this Robert, the vintuer and innholder, and his wife Penelope, Ephraim, the eldest son, was born December 13, 1639; of the Artillery Company 1663, freeman 1666, Ensign in Capt. Oliver's company at home from 1675 to 1680, when he was relieved of the office at his request. He married Sarah Phillips, daughter of Major William, of Charlestown, Boston and Saco, and through her came into possession of large tracts of land in what is now Sandford, Alfred and Waterboro'. The children of Ephraim and Sarah, born in Boston, were - Derlow, born Dec. 3, 1663; Robert, born June 17, 1665; Sarah, born March 24, 1666-7; Abigail, born June 8, 1669; Ephraim, born Nov. 23, 1670; Elizabeth, born August 19, 1672; Deliverance, born August 1, 1673.

Mr. T. Larkin Turner, of North Weymouth, who has thoroughly investigated the various branches of the Turner family, and has kindly assisted in the above sketch, informs me that he has found nothing relative to Ephraim Turner subsequent to 1680-1, and thinks he must have removed from town.



XIII.

THE NARRAGANSET CAMPAIGN TO THE CLOSE OF THE "SWAMP FORT" BATTLE.

PREPARATIONS AND MARCH AGAINST THE NARRAGANSETS.

FTER their somewhat disastrous campaign of the autumn of 1675 in the western parts of the colony of Massachusetts, the United Colonies, upon information that the hostile Indians with Philip were retiring towards the south and to winter quarters amongst the Narragansets, determined to carry the war against this powerful tribe, who for some time had shown themselves actively hostile. The veteran troops were recalled and reorganized; small towns in various parts of the colonies were garrisoned, and an army of one thousand men was equipped for a winter campaign. General Josiah Winslow, Governor of Plymouth Colony, was appointed commander-in-chief of this Army; Major Samuel Appleton to command the Massachusetts Regiment, Major William Bradford that of Plymouth, and Major Robert Treat that of Connecticut. War was formally declared against the Narragansets on November 2d, 1675, in the meeting of the Commissioners of the United Colonies held at Boston.

General Winslow, upon his appointment to the command of the army in this expedition, went to Boston for consultation with Gov. Leverett and the Council. Thence on Thursday, December the 9th, he rode to Dedham, having Benjamin Church as aid, and probably the gentlemen who constituted the Massachusetts part of his staff or "guard," consisting of the ministers, among whom was Mr. Joseph Dudley, and the surgeons, of whom the chief was Daniel Weld, of Salem. I presume other general officers and aids went along with him, of whom we find no mention. Commissary John Morse was probably of this number. The General assumed command of the Massachusetts forces drawn up on Dedham Plain, and formally delivered to him by Major General Denison of Massachusetts, on Thursday, December 9th. This force consisted of six companies of foot, numbering four hundred and sixty-five, besides Captain Prentice's troop of seventy-five. The full quota of Massachusetts was five hundred and twenty-seven soldiers, but there were doubtless many others along as servants



to the officers, scouts, and teamsters. To the soldiers a proclamation was made at this time, on the part of the Massachusetts Council, "that if they played the man, took the Fort, & Drove the Enemy out of the Narragansett Country, which was their great Seat, that they should have a gratuity in land besides their wages." On the same afternoon they marched twenty-seven miles to Woodcock's Garrison, now Attleboro'. In the evening of Friday, December 10th, they arrived at Seekonk, where vessels with supplies were in waiting. And here also Major Richard Smith was waiting their arrival with his vessel, and took on board Capt. Mosely and his company, to sail direct to his garrisonhouse at Wickford. Some others, it is likely, went with them to arrange for quartering the troops, and Benjamin Church was sent to make ready for the General's coming. The rest of the forces "ferried over the water to Providence," and probably formed a junction with the main part of the Plymouth regiment at Providence, on Saturday, December 11th. From Mr. Dudley's letter of the 15th, it will be seen that an account had been sent the Council of their movements to the time of arriving at Pau-This letter is now lost from the files. In the evening of Sunday, December 12th, the whole body advanced "from Mr. Carpenter's," crossed the Pautuxet River and marched a long way into "Pomham's Country," now Warwick, R.I.; but from the unskilfulness of their Warwick scouts (probably Englishmen, for if they had been Indians their failure would have been deemed treachery), their purpose of capturing Pomham and his people was defeated, and after a whole night spent in weary marching about, they arrived at Mr. Smith's garrisonhouse at Wickford on the 13th, and found their vessels from Seekonk already arrived. Capt. Mosely's company that day captured thirty-six Indians, including Indian Peter, who proved afterwards such an indispensable guide.

There were many doubtless at Smith's garrison, employed by him and gathered thither for security. Church speaks of finding "the Eldridges and some other brisk hands," and going out and taking eighteen Indians, and finding the General arrived on his return to the garrison next morning before sunrise. This would seem from his story to have been on the morning of the 12th; but the other accounts and his own reference to the General's arrival settle the day as the 13th and the time as before daybreak. This exploit of Mr. Church seems to have been unknown to Messrs. Dudley, Oliver and other contemporary writers. On Monday, 13th, no movement was made, but on the 14th the General moved his whole force, except Capt. Oliver's company, which kept garrison, out through the country to the westward, and burned the town of the Sachem "Ahmus," of whom I can find no mention except this of Mr. Dudley's, and the "Quarters" of Quaiapen, Magnus, or Matantuck, as her Indian name was under-



stood by the English, "Old Queen" or "Sunke Squaw," as she was called by them. She was the widow of Mriksah, or Makanno, son of Canonicus. Her dominions were in the present towns of South and North Kingston and Exeter, and near the line between the latter, upon a high rocky hill, is still to be found the remains of an old Indian fort, known from earliest times as the "Queen's Fort," and probably near the place where her deserted "Quarters" were raided. The army that day destroyed one hundred and fifty wigwams, killed seven and captured nine Indians. In the mean time Capt. Oliver had sent out "five files," i.e. thirty of his men, under Sergeant (Peter) Bennet, who, scouting abroad, killed two Indians, a man and woman, and captured four more.

Mr. Dudley, writing on the next day, Wednesday, December 15th, states that up to that time they had captured or killed, in all, fifty persons, and their prisoners in hand were forty. Capt. Oliver's account makes the number fifty-seven "young and old." Adding Mr. Church's eighteen, and we swell the number to seventy-five. From a careful survey of the matter in all its relations, I am inclined to think that Church was acting in conjunction with, and under the command of Capt. Mosely, to whom the official returns accredit the capture of the whole body, eighteen of whom

Church claims to have been his own captives.

Wednesday, December 15th, the army seems to have been held in parley most of the day by the pretended negotiations of "Stone-wall," or "Stone-layer," John, an Indian who had lived much with the English, and had learned the trade of stone-mason, but was now hostile, and very serviceable to the Indians in many ways. Whether he was treacherous or not, the Indians were gathering and skulking about the English quarters while he was negotiating, and when he was safely away they began to pick off our men wherever they found opportunity, and later lay in ambush behind a stone wall and fired upon several companies of the English sent out to bring in Major Appleton's company, quartered some miles away. They were quickly repulsed with the loss of one of their leaders, and seem to have gone towards the general rendezvous at the great fort, and on the way they assaulted and burned the garrison of Jirch, or "Jerry" Bull at Pettisquamscot (Tower Hill, S. Kingston, R.I.), killing fifteen of those at the garrison, two only escaping.

Thursday, December 16th, Capt. Prentice with his troop rode out, probably following the trail to Pettisquamscot, where he found the garrison-house in ruins. This is said to have been a very strong stone house, easily defended by a small number, and its destruction, of which there is no detailed account, must have been accomplished by either surprise or treachery. The news had a very depressing effect upon the army, who had hoped that

the Connecticut forces had already arrived there.

Friday, December 17th, came the news of the arrival of the



Connecticut regiment at Pettisquamscot. Our army seems to have been disposing of the captives and preparing for the march. Forty-seven of the captives were sold to Capt. Davenport on this day, Saturday, Dec. 18th. The General, leaving a small garrison at Wickford, pushed his army forward to Pettisquamscot, and about 5 P.M. joined the Connecticut troops consisting of about three hundred English and one hundred and fifty Mohegan Indians. In a severe snow-storm, the whole force, about one thousand men, encamped in the open field through that bitter cold night. Sunday, Dec. 19th, before daybreak (Capt. Oliver says, "at five o'clock"), the whole force marched away towards the enemy's great rendezvous.

The following, gleaned from all available sources, may be of interest at this point:

ROSTER OF THE OFFICERS OF THE ARMY OF THE UNITED COLONIES,

AS ORGANIZED FOR THE NARRAGANSET CAMPAIGN, AND MUSTERED AT PETTISQUAMSCOT, DECEMBER 19, 1675.

General Josiah Winslow, Governor of Plymouth Colony, Commander-in-chief.

General Staff.

Daniel Weld, of Salem, Chief Surgeon. Joseph Dudley, of Boston, Chaplain. Benjamin Church, of Little Compton, R.I., Aid.

MASSACHUSETTS REGIMENT.

Samuel Appleton, of Ipswich, Major and Captain of First Company.

Regimental Staff.

Richard Knott, of Marblehead, Surgeon. Samuel Nowell, of Boston, Chaplain. John Morse, of Ipswich, Commissary.

Officers of the Line.

First Company: Jeremiah Swain, Lieutenant. Ezekiel Woodward, Sergeant (Acting Ensign).

Second Company: Samuel Mosely, Captain. Perez Savage, Lieutenant.

Third Company: James Oliver, Captain.

Ephraim Turner, Lieutenant.

Peter Bennett, Sergeant (Acting Ensign).



Fourth Company: Isaac Johnson, Captain.
Phineas Upham, Lieutenant.
Henry Bowen, Ensign.

Fifth Company: Nathaniel Davenport, Captain.
Edward Tyng, Lieutenant.

John Drury, Ensign.

Sixth Company: Joseph Gardiner, Captain.
William Hathorne, Lieutenant.

Benjamin Sweet, Ensign (promoted Lieutenant). Jeremiah Neal, Sergeant (promoted Ensign).

Cavalry Company ("Troop"): Thomas Prentice, Captain.

John Wyman, Cornet (promoted Lieutenant).

PLYMOUTH REGIMENT.

William Bradford, of Marshfield, Major and Captain of First Company.

Regimental Staff.

Mathew Fuller, of Barnstable, Surgeon. Thomas Huckins, of Barnstable, Commissary.

Officers of the Line.

First Company: Robert Barker, of Duxbury, Lieutenant.

Second Company: John Gorham, of Barnstable, Captain.
Jonathan Sparrow, of Eastham, Lieutenant.
William Wetherell, Sergeant.

CONNECTICUT REGIMENT.

Robert Treat, of Milford, Major.

Regimental Staff.

Gershom Bulkely, Surgeon. Rev. Nicholas Noyes, Chaplain. Stephen Barrett, Commissary.

Officers of the Line.

First Company: John Gallop, of Stonington, Captain. Second Company: Samuel Marshall, of Windsor, Captain. Third Company: Nathaniel Seely, of Stratford, Captain. Fourth Company: Thomas Watts, of Hartford, Captain. Fifth Company: John Mason, of Norwich, Captain.

To the First and Fifth Connecticut Companies were attached Indian Scouting Companies, numbering seventy-five to each.

AFTER THE BATTLE.

The following officers were sent out from Massachusetts, with recruits, to reorganize their Regiment, and fill the vacancies caused by



the losses at the "Fort Fight." I do not attempt to assign the special commands.

Surgeons: Dr. Jacob Willard, of Newton.
Dr. John Cutler, of Hingham.
Dr. John Clark, of Boston.

Captains:

Samuel Wadsworth.
Samuel Brocklebank.

Jonathan Remington (promoted).

Nicholas Manning.

Lieutenants: Stephen Greenleaf (promoted).

Daniel Ring (promoted).

Several of the above officers were in the "Fort Fight" as subordinate officers, and afterwards promoted.

FROM CONNECTICUT.

There were several new companies and the following officers sent:

Rev. James Fitch, of Saybrook. Rev. John Wise, of Branford.

Capt. John Standley,
Lieut. Joseph Wadsworth,
Lieut. Samuel Martin, Senr.,
Zachary Sanford, Sergt.,
Capt. John Beard,
Lieut. Moses Mansfield,
Capt. John Sillick.
Lieut. Stephen Barrett,
Lieut. Stephen Barrett,

Hartford County Soldiers.

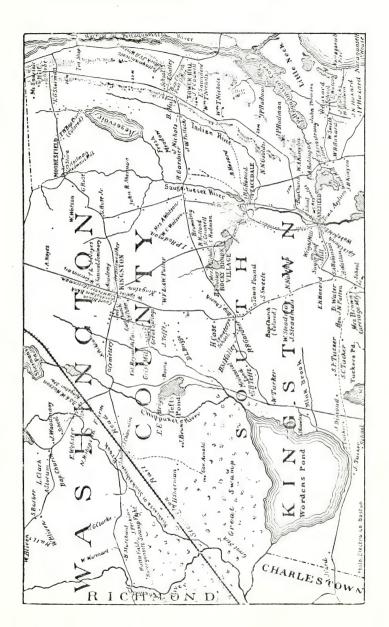
New Haven Company.
Fairfield Company.

Of the forces of Massachusetts, the quota was 527; the number actually impressed was 540, including troopers, 75. The returns made at Dedham Plain give 465 foot, troopers, 73. The Connecticut quota was 315, and there were also two companies of Indians,

150. Plymouth's quota was 158.

The scene of the battle is well identified. It is situated in West Kingston, R.I., and belongs to the estate of the late Hon. J. G. Clark, whose residence was about one mile north-easterly from the old battlefield. Many relies of the battle are in possession of Mr. Clarke's family. Saving the changes incident upon the clearing and cultivation of contiguous land, the place could be easily identified as the battlefield, even if its location were not put beyond question by traditions and also by relies found from time to time upon the place. It is now, as then, an "island of four or five acres," surrounded by swampy land, overflowed except in the dryest part of the year. The island was cleared and plowed about 1775, and at that time many bullets were found deeply







bedded in the large trees; quantities of charred corn were plowed up in different places, and it is said that Dutch spoons and Indian arrow-heads, etc., have been found here at different times.

The accompanying map is a section — slightly reduced — of the large map of Rhode Island, made from surveys under the direction of H. F. Walling, Esq., and published by him in 1862. It takes in the line of march from Pettisquamscot (Tower-Hill) to the Fort. There is no "scale of miles" upon the large map, but by a careful comparison of known distances it appears that it is about seven miles in a bee line, nearly west, from Tower-Hill to the battlefield; by way of McSparran Hill in direct courses, about ten miles. The army, following the higher land, with frequent halts and probably much uncertain wandering and careful scouting, consumed the time from five o'clock in the morning to about one o'clock P.M.; and it is likely that in this roundabout march they made about fifteen or sixteen miles, the distance reported.

In the retreat, the army probably followed back upon their morning track as far as McSparran Hill, and thence to Wickford to their quarters at Mr. Richard Smith's garrison-house, arriving there about two o'clock in the morning, after a march of about eighteen miles, as was reported at the time. Mr. Smith, called Captain and Major by contemporary writers, was a person of wide influence in this part of the country, and held in high esteem in all the colonies. He was the son of Richard Smith, Senior, who came from "Gloster Shire," in England, and in 1641 bought a large tract of jland, including the present town of Wickford, and there built the first English house in Narraganset, and set up a trading station and offered free entertainment to all travellers.

THE BATTLE AT THE GREAT SWAMP FORT.

About one o'clock, P.M., the army came upon the enemy at the edge of the swamp, in the midst of which the Indian fortress was built, the Massachusetts regiment leading in the march, Plymouth next, and Connecticut bringing up the rear. Of the Massachusetts troops Capts. Mosely and Davenport led the van and came first upon the Indians, and immediately opened fire upon them, — thus at the beginning gaining the important advantage of the first fire, which the Indians had almost always gained and made so deadly by deliberate volleys from ambush, as they doubtless purposed now. The Indians returned the fire with an ineffectual volley, and then fled into the swamp closely pursued by the foremost companies, who did not wait for the word of command, or stand much upon the "order of their going," until they reached the fortifications within which the Indians hastily betook themselves. was situated upon an island of some five or six acres in the midst of a cedar swamp, which was impassable except to the Indians by their accustomed paths, and now made passable only by the severe cold of the previous day and night. It is probable that the Indians



depended chiefly upon the swamp to protect them, though their defences are described as having been of considerable strength. A portion of the high ground had been enclosed, and from a careful comparison of the most reliable accounts, it seems that the fortifications were well planned, probably by the Englishman Joshua Teffe, or Tift, as Mr. Dudley calls him. Mr. Hubbard says: "The Fort was raised upon a Kind of Island of five or six acres of rising Land in the midst of a swamp; the sides of it were made of Palisadoes set upright, the which was compassed about with a Hedg of almost a rod Thickness." A contemporary writer (whose account was published at the time in London, and is reprinted in Mr. Drake's publication called the "Old Indian Chronicle") says: "In the midst of the Swamp was a Piece of firm Land, of about three or four Acres, whereon the Indians had built a kind of Fort. being palisadoed round, and within that a clay Wall, as also felled down abundance of Trees to lay quite round the said Fort, but they had not quite finished the said Work." It is evident from these, the only detailed accounts, and from some casual references, that the works were rude and incomplete, but would have been almost impregnable to our troops had not the swamp been frozen. At the corners and exposed portions, rude block-houses and flankers had been built, from which a raking fire could be poured upon any attacking force. Either by chance, or the skill of Peter, their Indian guide, the English seem to have come upon a point of the fort where the Indians did not expect them. Mr. Church, in relating the circumstances of Capt. Gardiner's death, says that he was shot from that side "next the upland where the English entered the swamp." The place where he fell was at the "east end of the fort." The tradition that the English approached the swamp by the rising land in front of the "Judge Marchant" house, thus seems confirmed. This "upland" lies about north of the battlefield.

Our van pursued those of the enemy who first met them so closely that they were led straight to the entrance used by the Indians themselves, perhaps by their design then to attract attention from an exposed part of their works a short distance away. The passage left by the Indians for their own use, as before mentioned, was by a long tree over a "place of water," across which but one might pass at a time, "and which was so waylaid that they would have been cut off that had ventured." Mr. Hubbard counts among the fortunate circumstances of that day that the troops did not attempt to carry this point, and that they discovered the only assailable point a little farther on. This was at a corner of the fort where was a large unfinished gap, where neither palisades nor the abattis, or "hedge," had been placed, but only a long tree had been laid across about five feet from the ground, to till the gap, and might be easily passed; only that the block-house right opposite this gap and the flankers at the sides were finished,



from which a galling fire might sweep and enfilade the passage. Mr. Hubbard's account is very clear about this, yet several writers have sadly confused matters and described the first as the point of assault.

The companies of Capts. Davenport and Johnson came first 1 to this place, and those officers at once charged through the gap and over the log at the head of their companies, but Johnson fell dead at the log, and Davenport a little within the fort, and their men were met with so fierce a fire that they were forced to retire again and fall upon their faces to avoid the fury of the musketry till it should somewhat abate. Mosely and Gardiner, pressing to their assistance, met a similar reception, losing heavily, till they too fell back with the others, until Major Appleton coming up with his own and Capt. Oliver's men, massed his entire force as a storming column, and it is said that the shout of one of the commanders that the Indians were running, so inspired the soldiers that they made an impetuous assault, carried the entrance amain, beat the enemy from one of his flankers at the left, which afforded them a temporary shelter from the Indians still holding the blockhouse opposite the entrance. In the mean time, the General, holding the Plymouth forces in reserve, pushed forward the Connecticut troops, who not being aware of the extent of the danger from the block-house, suffered fearfully at their first entrance, but charged forward gallantly, though some of their brave officers and many of their comrades lay dead behind them, and unknown numbers and dangers before. The forces now joining, beat the enemy step by step, and with the fierce fighting, out of their block-houses and various fortifications. Many of the Indians, driven from their works, fled outside, some doubtless to the wigwams inside, of which there were said to be upward of five hundred, many of them large and rendered bullet-proof by large quantities of grain in tubs and bags, placed along the sides. In these many of their old people and their women and children had gathered for safety, and behind and within these as defences the Indians still kept up a skulking fight, picking off our men. After three hours hard fighting, with many of the officers and men wounded or dead, a treacherous enemy of unknown numbers and resources lurking in the surrounding forests, and the night coming on, word comes to fire the wigwams, and the battle becomes a fearful holocaust, great numbers of those who had taken refuge therein being burned.

The fight had now raged for nearly three hours, with dreadful carnage in proportion to the numbers engaged. It is not certain at just what point the Plymouth forces were pushed forward, but most likely after the works were carried, and the foremost, exhausted, retired for a time, bearing their dead and wounded to the rear; but we are assured that all took part in the engagement,

¹ John Raymond (Rayment) claimed to have been the first soldier to enter the fort.



coming on in turn as needed. It is doubtful if the cavalry crossed the swamp, but were rather held in reserve and as scouts to cover the rear and prevent surprises from any outside parties.

When now the fortress and all its contents were burning, and destruction assured, our soldiers hastily gathered their wounded and as many as possible of their dead, and formed their shattered

column for the long and weary march back to Wickford.

Reliable details of this battle are few, and only gleaned from casual references here and there, and thus many, who have sought to write upon the matter, have quoted in full the story of Benjamin Church, who relates his own experience, and draws out his personal reminiscences with all an old man's fondness for his deeds of "long ago." The very small part he took in this battle is evident even from his own story, and from the utter silence of other writers, especially Mr. Hubbard, who knew Church and commends him highly for his exploits in the Mount Hope campaign. No one can doubt the ability or courage of Mr. Church, but his part in this battle was simply that when the fort was carried and the fighting nearly over, he went, with some thirty others, into and through the fort and out into the swamp upon the trail of the retreating foe, discovered, ambushed and scattered a skulking party of them returning to the attack, chased a few of them into the fort amongst the huts, and was himself severely wounded by them thus brought to bay.

I wish here to record my protest against the unjust, often weak, and always inconsiderate, criticism bestowed upon our leaders in this campaign, and especially in this battle, for their lack of foresight in abandoning the shelter and provisions of the fort, their sacrifice of the lives of our wounded men through their removal and the dangers and fatigues of the long march, and their inhumanity in burning the helpless and innocent in their

huts and wigwams.

It is well to remember at the start that many of the wisest. ablest and brayest men of the three colonies were the leaders in this affair. A noble commander, wise and brave; reverend ministers, by no means backward with their opinions; the most prominent and skilful surgeons the country afforded; veteran majors and captains of Massachusetts and Connecticut, with their veteran soldiers fresh from the severe experiences in the western campaign, inured to danger and experienced in Indian wiles and deceits: against all these we have recorded only the remonstrance of Mr. Church, who up to that time, at least, had experience in Indian warfare only as a scout, and the only record we have of any protest by him was made many years after the affair. And again, from the standpoint of their conditions as nearly as we can now judge, it seems that their hasty retreat was wise. They were some sixteen miles from their base of supplies (it is doubtful if they had noted the Indian supplies until the burning began). There was no way of reaching their



provisions and ammunition at Wickford except by detaching a portion of their force now reduced greatly by death, wounds and exposure. The numbers of Indians that had escaped, and were still in the woods close at hand, were unknown, but supposed to be several thousand, with report of a thousand in reserve about a mile distant. These were now scattered and demoralized, but in a few hours might rally and fall upon the fort, put our troops, in their weakened condition, upon the defensive, and make their retreat from the swamp extremely difficult if not utterly impossible, encumbered as they would be by the wounded, whose swollen and stiffened wounds in a few hours would render removal doubly painful and dangerous. Added to this was the chance of an attack upon the garrison at Wickford, and the dread of the midnight ambuscade, which every hour's delay made more likely and would render more dangerous. Thus it seems to me that from the standpoint of military strategy, the immediate retreat to Wickford was best. As to humanity, we must remember the harsh times in which they were living, the contempt in which the Indians were held - first, as heathen, against whom war was righteous; second, as idle and treacherous vagabonds, with no rights which honest industry was bound to respect; third, as deadly enemies lying in wait to plunder, burn and destroy. Moreover, the very life of the colonies was threatened by this war; many thriving hamlets were already in ashes; hundreds of families were broken up and scattered up and down, with loss of all; fathers, husbands and brothers slain or in captivity, farms and homes laid waste, whole communities huddled in wretched block-houses, while the "reign of terror" swept Brookfield, "Beers's Plain," and "Bloody-Brook," with their outrage and carnage, were fresh in mind, and, a few days before, the destruction and massacre at Pettisquamscot; while even here at their feet were their dead and dying comrades and beloved officers. Is it strange that they were cruel, when now for the first time they came face to face with the authors of all their troubles in a fair fight? By any candid student of history I believe this must be classed as one of the most glorious victories ever achieved in our history, and considering conditions, as displaying heroism, both in stubborn patience and dashing intrepidity, never excelled in American warfare.

Of the details of the march to Wickford very little is known; through a bitter cold winter's night, in a blinding snow-storm, carrying two hundred and ten of their wounded and dead, these soldiers, who had marched from dawn till high noon, had engaged in a desperate life-and-death struggle from noon till sunset, now plodded sturdily back to their quarters of the day before, through deepening snows and over unbroken roads. By the letters below, it will be seen that the General and staff, with their escort, got

¹ There is a tradition (mentioned in a note in Hon, Elisha R. Potter, Jr.'s "Early History of Naragansett") that the English feared an ambusende in force on the line of march by which they had come, and so marched by way of MeSparran Hill on their return.



separated from the main column, lost their way and wandered about till 7 o'clock next morning, while the main body reached their quarters at 2 o'clock.

DEAD AND WOUNDED.

The names of those officers and soldiers of Massachusetts killed and wounded in this battle have been given heretofore in the

sketches of the companies to which they belonged.

By Capt. Oliver's letter, written a little more than a month afterwards from the seat of war, and considered official, we learn that up to that time the dead numbered about sixty-eight, and the wounded one hundred and fifty, in the whole army. Eight of the dead were left in the fort, and twelve more were dead when they started back to Wickford. Twenty-two died on the march, and before the next day, Monday, Dec. 20th, when they buried thirty-four in one grave, and six more within two days, eight died at Rhode Island, and three others, making in all but fifty-nine, if we reckon the twelve carried from the fort as a part of the thirty-four buried Dec. 20th; otherwise, seventy-one. But the first estimate of sixty-eight is satisfied if we add the twenty killed at the fort to those buried at Wickford and Rhode Island, and conclude that the twelve taken from the fort were buried somewhere on the march.

Ninigret, sachem of the Nianticks, sent to General Winslow word that his people had buried the dead of the English left at the Fort, and that the number was twenty-four, and he asked for a charge of powder for each. This information was given in a letter from Major Bradford to Rev. Mr. Cotton of Plymouth.

Of the losses of Massachusetts we are not left in doubt, since there is still preserved in our archives a full and official return, which Mr. Hubbard gives substantially, adding to the wounded probably those whose wounds were slight and not reported at the time, and with some modifications of the list of dead, though with the same total.

The official list of those killed and wounded in the battle, including three of Capt. Gardiner's men killed previous to the battle, is dated January 6, 1675, and entitled,

A list of Major Sam' Apleton souldjers y' were slayne & wounded the 19th Decemb. '75, at the Indians fort at Narraganset.

			Killed.	Wounded.
	- /	Major Appleton,	4	18
	1	Capt. Mosely,	6	9
		Capt. Oliver,	5	8
In the Company of		Capt. Davenport,	4	11
		Capt. Johnson,	4	8
		Capt. Gardiner,	7	10
	\	Capt. Prentice,	1	3
[Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 104.]				
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Of the officers, Capts. Davenport, Johnson and Gardiner were killed, and Lieutenants Upham, Savage, Swain, and Ting were wounded.

Of the Connecticut troops, seventy-one were killed and wounded according to Hubbard; and according to the eminent historian of Connecticut, Dr. Benjamin Trumbull, seventy.

Capt. Gallop, Capt. Marshall, Capt. Seely, Capt. Mason,	10 14 20 9	Mr. Hubbard's Account. Of New Haven Company, 20 Of Capt. Siely his Company, 20 Of Capt. Watt his Company, 17	5 1
Capt. Mason, Capt. Watts,	17-70	Of Capt. Watt his Company, 14-	-71

Major Treat, by tradition, is said to have been the last man to have left the fort, commanding the rear guard of the army; and of his captains, Gallop, Marshall and Seely were killed, and Capt. Mason mortally wounded.

Of the Plymouth forces, Major Bradford, commander, and Benjamin Church of the General's staff were severely wounded, and of the soldiers the killed and wounded in both companies

were twenty, by best accounts.

The grave of the forty buried at Wickford was marked by a tree called the "grave appletree," which was blown down in the gale of September, 1815. The wounded were sent in vessels to

Rhode Island, and well cared for.

Of the losses of the enemy there can be no reliable account. Capt. Oliver says, "By the best intelligence we killed 300 fighting men, and took say 350 and above 300 women and children." Mr. Dudley, two days after the fight, reckons about two hundred; Capt. Mosely counted sixty-four in one corner of the fort; and Capt. Gorham made an estimate of at least one hundred and fifty. The desperate strait of the Indians is shown by their leaving the dead in their flight. Indian prisoners afterward reported seven hundred killed.

The conduct of the Mohegan and Pequod allies is represented by Capt. Oliver as false, they firing in the air, but securing much plunder. I have found no other notice of their part in the battle.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The following letters, written by Joseph Dudley, who was with Gen. Winslow as one of his staff or "Guard," and also served as chaplain to the army, are perhaps the most reliable official reports of the campaign that remain. The letter of the fifteenth is still preserved, as noted below. That of the twenty-first was published by Governor Hutchinson in his "History of the Colony of Massachusetts Bay," London edition (1765), page 302. I have not been able to find the original of this last. The letter of the Council to Gen. Winslow, in answer to Dudley's first, is pre-



served, as below noted, and in two copies—the first a rough draft, the second a carefully written copy in Secretary Rawson's own hand.

Letter of Joseph Dudley.

May it please your Honn' Mr Smiths 15, 10, 75

I am commanded by the Generall to give your Honn' account of our proceeding since our last frm Pautuxet in the Sabath evening we advanced the whole body from Mr Carpenters with Intent to surprise Pomham & his Party at about 10 or 12 Miles Distance having information by our Warwick Scouts of his seat but the darkness of ve Night Difficulty of our passage & unskilfulness of Pilots we passed the whole Night & found ourselves at such Distance yet from y'n y' we Diverted & Marched to Mr. Smiths, found our Sloops from Seaconk arrived since which by ve help of Indian Peter by whom your Honnor had the Information formerly of ye Number & resolution of ye Naragansets, we have burned two of their Towns viz: Ahmus who is this summer come down amongst them & ve old Queens quarters consisting of about 150 Many of them large wigwams & seized & slayn 50 Persons in all our prisoners being about 40 Concerning whom the generall prayes your advice concerning their transportation or Disposall all which was performed without any loss save a slight wound by an Arrow in Lieut. Wayman's face, the whole body of them we find removed into their great swamp at Canonicus his quarters where we hope with the addition of Connecticut, when arrived we hope to Coop them up, this day we Intend the removall or spoyle of y' Corn & hope to Morrow a March toward them, our soldiers being very chearful are forward notwithstanding great Difficulty by weather & otherwise, aboved Peter whom we have found very faithfull will Make us believe vt yr are 3000 fighting Men though Many unarmed Many well fitted with lances we hope by cutting off their forage to force them to a favr battle In ye Mean time I have only to present the Generalls humble service to your [sic] & to beg your Intense prayers for this so great Concern and remayn your

Honnors Humble Servant

Jos: Dudley.

Goodale nor Moor arrived we fear want of shot.

My humble service to Madam Leveret Brother and Sister Hubbard & Dudley.

Amongst our Prison^{re} & Slayn we find 10 or 12 Wampanoags.

[Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 101.]

Answer of the Council to Gen. Winslow.

S' y' Intelligences and Advices subjected by Mr. Dudley the 15 & 16 Ins' wee received this Morning being the 18th at eight of the clock. Wee desire to blesse God y' hee hath smiled upon you in y' first Attempts & hath delivered some of o' enemys into yo' hands & also to Acknowledge Gods favou' in the supporting y' hearts of yo' souldiers in such a severe season & keeping up their spirits with courage and that you have received no more losse of men: But yet also according to God's wonted manner



of dealing hee hath mixed the Cup wth some bitternes; in the losse susteyned in yo' soldiers especially Mr Bulls house & y' people ythe also y' the forces of Conecticut are not joyned wth you nor the vessell wth supplys of Ammunition & provision then arrived; Wee hope by this time both the vessell may be arrived & the Conecticut men conjoined wth you but least that should faile wee have sent a cart wth Ammunition; and an order from Gout Winthrop for their forces to March speedily; Concerning the disposall of ye Indian prisoners; Our Advice is if any present to buy them, they may be sould there & delivered by your Orders or if that cannot bee then to secure them at the Island or els-where at yo' best discretion; Wee have no more to add at present but our hearty prayers unto the Lord of Hoasts to appear wth & for you & all wth you, in all yo' enterprises, for the Lord & his people and cover all yo' heads in the day of Battle, So wth our particular respects & love to y'self & all ye Command." & Ministers; wee remajne

Yor respective friends & servants

Boston 18: December 1675 EDWARD RAWSON Secret^y in the name at one of the clock. & by y^e order of the Council.

[Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 102.]

Second Letter of Joseph Dudley.1

Mr Smith's, 21, 10, 1675 (Dec. 21, 1675).

May it please your honour,

The coming in of Connecticut force to Petaguamscot, and surprisal of six and slaughter of 5 on Friday night, Saturday we marched towards Petaguamscot, though in the snow, and in conjunction about midnight or later, we advanced; Capt. Mosely led the van, after him Massachusets, and Plimouth and Connecticut in the rear; a tedious march in the snow, without intermission, brought us about two of the clock afternoon, to the entrance of the swamp, by the help of Indian Peter, who dealt faithfully with us; our men, with great courage, entered the swamp about twenty rods; within the cedar swamp we found some hundreds of wigwams, forted in with a breastwork and flankered, and many small blockhouses up and down, round about; they entertained us with a fierce fight, and many thousand shot, for about an hour, when our men valiantly scaled the fort, beat them thence, and from the blockhouses. In which action we lost Capt. Johnson, Capt Danforth, and Capt Gardiner, and their lieutenants disabled, Capt. Marshall also slain; Capt. Seely, Capt. Mason, disabled, and many other of our officers, insomuch that, by a fresh assault and recruit of powder from their store, the Indians fell on again, recarried and beat us out of, the fort, but by the great resolution and courage of the General and Major, we reinforced, and very hardly entered the fort again, and fired the wigwams, with many living and dead persons in them, great piles of meat and heaps of corn, the ground not admitting burial of their store, were consumed; the number of their dead, we generally suppose the enemy lost at least two hundred men; Capt. Mosely counted in one corner of the fort sixty four men; Capt. Goram reckoned 150 at least; But, O! Sir, mine heart bleeds to give your honor an account of our lost men, but especially our resolute Captains, as by account inclosed, and yet not so many,

¹ This letter is copied from the note in Hutchinson's History of Massachusetts, vol. i. page 273.



but we admire there remained any to return, a captive woman, well known to Mr Smith, informing that there were three thousand five hundred men engaging us and about a mile distant a thousand in reserve, to whom if God had so pleased, we had been but a morsel, after so much disablement: she informeth, that one of their sagamores was slain and their powder spent, causing their retreat, and that they are in a distressed condition for food and houses, that one Joshua Tift, an Englishman, is their encourager and conductor. Philip was seen by one, credibly informing us, under a strong guard.

After our wounds were dressed, we drew up for a march, not able to abide the field in the storm, and weary, about two of the clock, obtained our quarters, with our dead and wounded, only the General, Ministers, and some other persons of the guard, going to head a small swamp, lost our way, and returned again to the evening's quarters, a wonder we were not a prey to them, and, after at least thirty miles marching up and down, in the morning recovered our quarters, and had it not been for the arrival of Goodale next morning, the whole camp had perished; The whole army, especially Connecticut, is much disabled and unwilling to march, with tedious storms, and no lodgings, and frozen and swollen limbs, Major Treat importunate to return at least to Stonington; Our dead and wounded are about two hundred, disabled as many; the want of officers, the consideration whereof the General commends to your honor, forbids any action at present, and we fear whether Connecticut will comply, at last, to any action. We are endeavoring, by good keeping and billetting our men at several quarters, and, if possible removal of our wounded to Rhode-Island, to recover the spirit of our soldiers, and shall be diligent to find and understand the removals on other action of the enemy, if God please to give us advantage against them.

As we compleat the account of our dead, now in doing, the Council is of the mind, without recruit of men we shall not be able to engage the main body.

I give your honour hearty thanks for your kind lines, of which I am not worthy I am Sir, your honor's humble servant, JOSEPH DUDLEY.

Since the writing of these lines, the General and Council have jointly concluded to abide on the place, notwithstanding the desire of Connecticut, only entreat that a supply of 200 may be sent us, with supply of commanders; and, whereas we are forced to garrison our quarters with at least one hundred, three hundred men, upon joint account of the colonies, will serve, and no less, to effect the design. This is by order of the council.

Blunderbusses, and hand grenadoes, and armour, if it may, and at least two armourers to mend arms.

COMMISSARY DEPARTMENT.

The following accounts are inserted in this place as showing somewhat the method and material of the commissary department at that time. The accounts, as will be noticed, relate largely to the early part of the war, and the Mount Hope campaign under General Cudworth. The preliminary accounts



having been squared by Mr. Southward (Southworth), all the rest were gathered in the general settlement in January, 1675-6. — In Hull's Journal.

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27 August 1675
Plymouth Colony Dr. to Cash for severalls as followeth.
  To Phillip Curtis for five men to guard
    powder and shott
                                            00, 17, 00
  To the Guard for expense at Roxbury
                                            00, 08, 06
                                                          02, 05, 09
  for 1 bb! of biskett
                                            00, 05, 09
  for 1 of powder besides what they brought 00, 01, 90
  Expense of sd Guard at Dedham
                                            00, 13, 00
                        September 14th 1675
  Richard Smith for guarding Ammunition
                                           00, 03, 00
  John Lawrence ditto.
                                           00, 03, 00
  James Hosly ditto.
                                           00, 03, 00
                                                          00, 15, 00
  James Montt ditto.
                                           00, 03, 00
  Ebenezer Hill ditto.
                                           00, 03, 00
November 23d. Cr. By Received of Mr. Southward
  for disbursements .
                                                          03, 00, 09
                         January 25th 1675
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Plimouth Colony Dr. to Sundry acc's as hear stated in p'per p'cells, for severils dd'. by sundry persons for the use of s Colony at divers times from the 29th June last to this moneth inclusive as per the acc's, receipts, & orders relating thereunto filed as p No. 1269 & 1270

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Armes for a muskett to Gen1 Cudworth .
                                                             00, 18, 00
Ligors for Rum to viz.
    Mr. James Brown 94 Gall
                                                      5, 0)
    Their forces at Naragansett 121 gall
Apparel for severalls viz.
                                                             32, 11, 00
    To Nathaniel Gunny 1 pr shoes
    Ditto Benjamin Peirce . . .
    To Capt Cornelius, Wastcoat, Shoes & Stokins 0, 14, 0
    To Josiah Joslin, shoes and stockins .
                                                  0, 7, 0
    To Gen<sup>1</sup> Cudworth 6 pr. shoes and 13 p. stockins3, 0, 0
  Delivered by the Commissioners to their forces at
                   Narragansett viz.
                                       7, 16, 0
    26—shirts at
                                       2, 14, 0
      6-Wastcoats
                                       1, 4, 0
     9-pr drawers
                                       0, 18, 0
      1—pr breeches
     2—lined coats
                                       3, 0,0
    10—pr shoes
                                       4, 15, 0
     5-pr stockins j
     6 vds of canvas for neckcloaths )
         shott pouch and calicoe
     180 y<sup>ds</sup> sale cloth at y<sup>e</sup>
                                       6, 15, 0
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Ammunition Id' viz. To the officers a bagg with 35 ^{lbs} powder Ditto to Benjamin Church with 18 ^{lbs} and 50 bull To the Gen ^{ll} 1 cask bullets qr 1 ^{lb} or better To Mr. James Brown 5½ bbl powder at 7 ^{lb} pr b Ditto 9 cask & 1 chest bullets qr. 11 ^{lb} More dd'. by the Commissaries 480 flints 124 bullets 8 half barrells of powder of the Mattachusetts detained by the Governor of Rhoad Island for 4 barrells lent to Plimouth	lets 2, 2, bl. 38, 25, 0, 2,	16,	0 6 0 0 4 0 0	103,	08,	10
	(103,	.08.	10)			
Tobacco, for 15 ^{lb} to Nathaniel Gunny .		,	/	0	07,	Oβ
Tooles, dd' to the officers viz 3 spades	. 0	10	٠, ١	υ,	01,	00
	,	10,	0)	00	0.0	0.0
2 Mattucks		14,	0 }	- 02,	08,	00
4 Axes	1,	04,	-0)			
Biskett dd' viz. To the Officers 150 cakes	0,	14,	0)			
To Mr. James Brown 9 hhds.	31,	10,	0 \	- 44,	04,	00
To Genall Cudworth 3½ hhds.	12,	00,	0			
Grocery for 26th Raisons solis to ditto Brown		. ′	` . '	01.	06,	00
Fish for 1 hhd. ditto					00,	
Porke ditto for 5 bbl at 4lb pr bbl	20	00,	00.)		00,	00
2 bb¹ ditt		00,			00,	00
Miscellanies, for severalls viz	0,	00,	00)		10	0.c
To Benjamin Church 1 hh ^d biscake	,		•	24,	19,	00
	\ 11 ,	10,	00			
2 bbl porke) '	,				
2 bsh. pease & 1 sack	601.	02,	00			
20 ^{lb} tobacoe) ",	·-,	00			
To Capt. Goram 1 ^{hhd} biskett & pease)					
wanting 200 cakes	100	1.77	0.0			
1 ^{lb} raisons solis	$\}$ 03,	14,	00			
4 large peeces of porke	j					
To Genall Cudworth 1 kittle	01.	10,	00			
To ditto Church 1 jarr oyle) '''	,				
2 galls wine	¿ 01,	03	00			
10 ^{lb} raisons solis	(01,	00,	00			
To L ^t Tanner 1 ^{bb1} pease	3					
(4?) bis cake	la	00	00			
3 ^{bbl} porke	(04,	00,	UU			
To John Cablaigh for dist Ch (analy 2	?					
To John Cobleigh for ditt. Ch(urch)?	} 1.	16,	00			
1 ^{bbl} salt)					
At Narragansett 2 qire p(aper)	υ,	01,	00			
	(21		0.00			
	(24, 1)	19,	06)			
Billetings, for quartering 12 souldiers at M ^r M Alsoe Gen ^{all} Cudworth's and Capt Bradfords C the 17 th 18 th & 19 th dayes of July with brea pork tobaco and liq ^{ors}	Compa	nies	}	10,	00,	00
Pease viz						
To dit. Browne 3 ^{hhd} with Cask	9, 00,	00)	10	15	٥٥
To dit. Cudworth 3 hhd	1, 15,	00	1	10,	15,	UU
Cask for 9 ^{hhd} to ditto Browne			-	2,	01,	00



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Maritim—disbursements viz for the frait of 4^{hid} bisket and 2^{bbl} of tobaco $1,00,00$ at guess $1,00,00$ Ditto to $\frac{1}{3}$ pt of the hire of Vessells $10,00,00$ Salt dd', viz	11, 00, 00
To Ditto Browne 1 ^{hhd} qr. 12^{bsh} & Cash 2, 00, 00 } By Ditto Commissaries $1\frac{1}{2}$ bsh 0, 06, 00 } Thomas Terry for $1\frac{1}{2}$ firkins of sope 1 1^{bsh} meale, 10 wooden boules and 1 cann (285, 14, 10)	02, 06, 00 02, 05, 00
$\begin{array}{c} \text{June } 24^{\text{th}} \ 1676. \\ \text{Plymouth Colony Cr By Viz.} \\ \text{Ammunission for powder \& ball returned} \\ \text{as p No } 3185 \\ \text{Biskett dit.} \\ \text{Graine for pease dit.} \\ \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} 44, \ 18, \ 00 \\ 22, \ 00, \ 00 \\ 03, \ 00, \ 00 \end{array} \right\}$	69, 18, 04

The account is thus carried to a later Ledger, which is lost.

MARITIME DEPARTMENT.

By Disbursements for Ballance as p bond 11535 for 544 215, 16, 06

The following may show somewhat of the "naval" power of that day, and the methods and means of transporting supplies.

1675		Maritime D	isbu	rsements	3	Dr		
Nov 20	To	Peter Treby for frain	t of	the Sloo	pe I	rimro	se	£09, 06, 00
Dec 10	То	Israel Nichols for w	ood	for Goo	dall	's Ves	sel	00, 05, 00
	To	Stephen Hascott for d	lam	mage of t	he S	loope	Swan	03, 10, 00
Feby 29	To	Anthony Low for fra	ait					05, 00, 00
1676								
June 24	6.6	Richard Goodall fo	r fr	ait .				22, 00 00
6.6	66	Nehemiah Goodall	for	Service				05, 10' 00
"	4.4	Pilgrim Simpkin	6.6	+ 6				02, 08' 00
66	66	James Twisdell	4.6	166				02, 08, 00
6.6	4 6	Richard Earle		h 6				02, 08, 00
4.6	66	Ezekiel Gardner	4.4					02, 02, 00
4.6	"	William Woodbery	6.6	4.6				05, 10, 00
6.6	4.6	Anthony Haywood	6.6	4.6				04, 00, 00
4.6	+ 6	Thomas Moore	6.	4.4				10, 00, 00
4.6	6.6	John Baker	6.6	6.6				02, 08, 00

Andrew Belcher, of Cambridge, a prominent merchant, with vessels operating between Boston and Connecticut ports, was active in these affairs, but his accounts doubtless fall into a later Ledger.

In the State Archives, in some Bills of Benjamin Gillam against the colony, I find the item, Jan'y 10, 1675:

To charges on men to cut out Andrew Belcher's Sloop to go to Narragansett, 14s.



Mr. Church speaks of the arrival of Andrew Belcher as opportune in saving the army; Mr. Dudley says Goodale. Mr. Hubbard's reference to the vessels "frozen in at Cape Cod," causing

distress, was, I think, to a later time.

After the return of the army to Mr. Smith's Garrison, the burial of the dead and removal of their wounded to Rhode Island, they spent several weeks parleying with the enemy, watching and recruiting. Major Treat withdrew with his Connecticut forces, against the wishes, it appears, of the General and the other officers, and was later called to account for insubordination. Additional troops were sent down from Boston, and Massachusetts and Plymouth held the field for a month longer; but their operations and the closing part of this winter campaign, and the new forces engaged, must fall into the next chapter.

Massachusetts afterwards redeemed the promise made to the soldiers at Dedham Plain, and granted to eight hundred and forty claimants, including those of Plymouth, the seven Narraganset townships. Connecticut to her volunteers in the Narra-

ganset wars granted the township of Voluntown.



XIV.

CLOSE OF THE NARRAGANSET CAMPAIGN; THE "HUNGRY MARCH."

A FTER the battle at the Narraganset Fort, several weeks of partial inactivity ensued, while both the English and the Indians were seeking to recover somewhat from the severe blow each had received. The forces of Massachusetts and Plymouth remained at Smith's garrison at Narraganset, while Major Treat with the Connecticut regiment returned to Stonington about December 28th. In the treasurer's account with Connecticut colony there is a charge "For billiting 40 wounded men 7 days," and as there is no other occasion on which so many were wounded, it is fair to assume that the Connecticut forces did not retire before the 28th.

On January 14th the Council of Connecticut issued orders to Mr. John Brackett of Wallingford, and Serg! William Ward, "to go to New London, to care for the wounded there, while Mr. Buckley goeth forth with the army." So it would seem that many of their wounded had been carried as far as New London.

From various sources, the accounts of the most reliable historians of the time, from contemporary letters and notices, we are able to glean some few items indicating the situation of affairs

at the seat of war.

The Indians were greatly demoralized and evidently very solicitous as to the immediate future action of our army, as they sent in a delegation to the General on Thursday, December 23d, four days after the fight, ostensibly to negotiate in regard to peace, but in reality, doubtless, to ascertain the strength and intentions of the English. Some of the Indians had returned to their fort upon the retreat of the troops, and it is likely were able to rescue a part of their provisions from the flames, but the main body was gathered into a swamp some three miles distant, while those who had joined the Narragansets from neighboring tribes returned home. Mr. Dudley wrote that Philip was seen by one of ours with a strong body guard during or after the battle. If so he must have made a rapid march between that and January 6th,



upon which date Governor Andros, of the New York Colony, writes to the Connecticut Governor:

This is to acquaint you that late last night I had intelligence that Philip & 4 or 500 North Indians fighting men, were come within 40 or 50 miles of Albany northerly, where they talk of continuing this winter; that Phi: is sick, and one Sahamoshuha the Comander in chief. Whereupon I have despatched orders theither.

I have found no reliable proof that Philip or his Wampanoag warriors, as a body, had any part in the Narraganset fight, while there is some direct testimony that they did not. Indian captives refer the command of the Indians to other chiefs, and a contemporary writer in the series of letters published in London under the title, "Present State of New England, with respect to the Indian War," says positively, "King Philip hath not yet been at Narraganset, as we feared, but is retired with his Men near Albany where he hath kept his Winter Quarters." This place is since known as Scattacook, and is situated in Rensselaer County, about twenty miles north of Albany.

The great snow-storm that began at the time of the battle and lasted for several days rendered any movement of the infantry impossible, even if they had been in condition; and then suddenly there came a great mid-winter thaw, which further prevented their motion. Capt. Prentice's troop kept scouting and watching to guard against surprise, and to gather in whatever was possible of their enemy's supplies of corn, of which they obtained quantities, but the provisioning of this large body of men had to be done chiefly by vessels sent from Boston, and by some, at this time, gathering corn along the port towns of Connecticut, as we learn

from their archives and from other sources.

On the 27th of December Capt. Prentice with his troop made a march into Pomham's country (now Warwick) and destroyed near a hundred wigwams. December 28th, a squaw captured at the fort was sent to the Indians with an offer of peace, if they would agree to the terms of the former treaty, and such other conditions as the English might impose, and give up all "Philip's Indians." The squaw did not return, but on December 30th a message came from the sachems proffering their thanks for the offer, but complained that the English made war upon them without notice. This Indian owned, as did the squaw, that the Indians lost three hundred of their best fighting men. January 4th, two prisoners were taken, of whom one, being a Wampanoag, was put to death. January 5th, the Indians sent in a captive child, three or four years of age, belonging at Warwick. On the 7th, messengers came from them laying the blame upon Canonchet, who when he had visited Boston and made his treaty with the English, had returned and deceived his people as to the terms; but all these overtures



were evidently practised to gain time and take the attention of the English from the real movements of the Indians while they were making ready for their flight to the north-west. On the 8th these were sent back with positive instructions as to terms of peace. On the same day Ninigret, sachem of the Niantics, sent in declaration and evidence of the reality of his friendship and of the dire straits to which the hostile Indians were reduced. In the meantime the Commissioners of the United Colonies were making every exertion to put a fresh army into the field. As early as December 25th it had been voted to raise one thousand men to recruit the army in the field, and the first of these were sent out about Jan. 6th under Capt. Samuel Brocklebank of Rowley (I think). The weather was extremely cold, and they suffered severely on the march, part of the way through a fierce snowstorm "that bit some of them by the heels with the frost," according to Mr. Hubbard. The writer of "The Present State of New England," the letters above mentioned, says that eleven of the men were "frozen to death, and many others were sick and disheartened." January 10th, these recruits arrived at headquarters and were joyfully received.

An order of the Council of Massachusetts, given January 14th, directs Major Gookin "to order the Eastern Souldiers with Horse and Foot, as soon as they come to Cambridge, to march to the army and to put them under such conduct as he sees right, until they get to Narraganset to Major Appleton, sending away with them the Armorer that is there already." On Jan. 17th the Council ordered the Committee of the Army to "forthwith furnish James Foord of Ipswich, a Souldjer under Capt. Brocklebank, now going up under Lieut. Swett to Narraganset, with one pr. of good shoos and on good Coate and place it to his acco." Ephraim Sawyer and Walter Davis, also, "now going forth to ye Narraganset," were furnished with apparel. These referred to in the above orders were a second body of recruits that were sent by the Massachusetts Council; the Commissioners having voted, on January 6th, that the colonies should have recruits at headquarters at Smith's Garrison on or before January 20th.

January 12th, a proposition came from the sachems for a cessation of hostilities for a month, which so stirred General Winslow's indignation and convinced him of their treachery, that he determined on a forward move at once, but still he felt his force to be too weak in the absence of the promised troops of Connecticut. He fears the foe is escaping, and sends frequent messages to the Commissioners and to Major Treat and the Connecticut Council,

to hurry up their preparations.

The Connecticut Colony meanwhile was making every

¹ Capt. Brocklebank and the main part of his company probably entered the service January 1st, but did not march to the seat of war until other recruits were ready. January 1sth, Capt. Daniel Fisher, of Dedham, be an order from the Council to send all "Horse and foste" that come into Dedham under Lieut. Benja. Swett, "away to ye Enemy;" and the order shows Dedham to be the common rendezvous of the four counties.



endeavor, the while however being somewhat impatient of the urgency of the General, feeling that their own borders were threatened by the Indians quite as much as the other colonies. Their archives afford ample proof of the thorough and energetic manner of their preparation. Major Treat's reorganized army rendezvoused at New London. From all the settlements recruits and arms and supplies were gathered as speedily as possible, and yet it was not until the 26th of January that their troops started for the field. The following extract relating to the occasion is from a "Letter of Major Palmer of New London to the Governor and Council of Connecticut."

New London ye 26th Janua: 1675-6

I having this opportunity by Mr. Plom. could not omitt acquainting
you of Maj' Treat's departure this day, with all his forces, who is
accompanied with Mr Fitch, Mr Buckley & Mr. Wise. They expected
to reach Badcock's this night and so get to Mr. Smith's tomorrow:
For Major Treate hath had two late ord's from the Generall one reced
on Lord's day, the other this morning, to hasten his coming; the
Indyans being seated 8 or 10 miles northwest of Providence, and
about 25 miles from Mr. Smith's. The information was gayned by
two Indyans taken by a party of Capt Prentis' troope, which killed
nyne more one escaped there being 12 in that party.

The Barke with the Provitions went out last night and hath had a fayre wind to carry her in today. They have added tenn barrels of meate to the twenty you ordered from Milford: weich doth afflict our people more than the trouble of quartering both well and wounded men, which have so impoverished them that sundry will much suffer,

without ye speedy supply of corne for their releife. . . .

In the margin of this letter is added the item,

Unkas has gone forth in person.

It will be seen by the letter that the march from headquarters was begun on the 26th of January. James Babcock's place was in what is now Westerly, R.I. By good marching they could have reached Smith's Garrison and joined the main army on the evening of the 27th; and thus January 28th must be the earliest date at which we can place the general forward movement of the The Council orders and references and letters in whole army. the Connecticut Colonial Records serve to confirm the account of Mr. Hubbard, although derived from independent sources, and as they give very few items besides, it seems evident that we have all of importance that happened. On January 23d Major Treat wrote to the Connecticut Council, quoting a letter from General Winslow, which he says he has lost, but which contained nothing of importance except to hasten their coming and "grateing on our disorderly retreat," and the good news of the taking of Joshua Tift by Capt. Fenner, of Providence. From some Indian



prisoners which the Connecticut scouts had taken, it was found that the Narragansets were lying in small parties along the way leading into the Nipmuck country, and with scouting parties so

posted that our army could not surprise their main body.

From a letter of Roger Williams to Governor Leverett, dated Providence, 14 January, 1675, and published in the "Winthrop Papers," vol. 36, p. 307, Coll. Mass. Hist. Society, we learn much about this Joshua Tift, different from the accounts of contemporary historians. Mr. Williams was called upon to take down the examination of Joshua Tift, and afterwards reports the answers to the Governor.

Being questioned by Capt. Fenner, who had captured him, Tift answered that he had been with the Narragansets about twenty-seven days; that he was captured by Canonchet and his property destroyed, but his life saved on condition that he would become the slave of Canonchet; he accepted the conditions, and was taken to their fort and there compelled to work for the Indians. He testifies that the Mohegans and Pequots with our troops made terms with the Narragansets at the beginning, and shot over their heads. After the English entered the fort, Canonchet and other sachems fled and halted beside a spruce swamp after crossing a plain. When night came the word was brought to the chiefs of the English retreat, and they sent back to the fort to ascertain their losses, and found ninety-seven dead and forty-eight wounded, and five or six bodies of the English. He said that the Narragansets' powder was mostly gone, but that Philip had sent word that he will furnish them enough from the French, who have sent Philip a present, "a brass gun and bandaliers sutable." The sachems are now about ten miles northwest from Mr. Smith's; speaks of the squaw that was sent by the English, but that the sachems believed that the proposals of the English were merely a trap to catch them. Canonicus was for peace, and would not consent to lie to the English; but his nephew, the young sachem Canonchet (or Nanunteno) was fierce for war, and the young warriors were with him, so that it was impossible to curb them. He speaks of Quaquackis as Canonchet's chief captain, "a midling thick-set man of a very stout fierce countenance." "He saith that Philip is about Quawpaug, amongst a great many rocks by a Swampeside; that the Nahigonsiks have bene these 3 days on their march & flight to Philip, that he knows not what number Philip hath with him, & that this day the last and rear of the company departed, that they heard that the Gen: was pursueing after them, & therefore several parties, to the number of 400 were ordered to lie in ambuscadoes, that several parties were left behind to get and drive cattell." He also testified that Ninigret's men fought the English in the fort, and that some of the Mohegans have joined the Narragansets.



At last, the army, being in readiness, began the pursuit of the Indians towards the Nipmuck country, in the somewhat famous march known to the succeeding generations as the "Long March," or the "Hungry March," but of the details of which we

have very meagre accounts.

Mr. Hubbard relates that on January 21st Capt. Prentice surprised a party of the Indians, killed nine and captured two, and within two or three days, the weather changing, our forces were very anxious to take the field, hearing, as they did, that the Indians were in full flight. "But so many difficulties were cast in the way that they could not be ready in time to prevent the mischief the Indians did at Warwick. For, January 27, they despoiled Mr. Carpenter of two hundred sheep, fifty head of neat cattle and fifteen horses, drove them all away safely and escaped before our forces set out." They wounded two of Mr. Carpenter of two hundred two of Mr. Carpenter our forces set out."

penter's people, and one of theirs was slain.

They also drove away cattle from a Mr. Harris, and killed a negro servant of his. Mr. Church was at Rhode Island, wounded, and his son made the mistake, in publishing his story, of making his stay there three months instead of three weeks. When he was partly recovered from his wound, he went over to take leave of General Winslow, but was induced by him to go with the army, then about to march in pursuit of the enemy. He relates a battle at an "Indian town of many wigwams," which was surrounded by an "icy swamp," and when the English succeeded in passing over this, "after much firing," the enemy made good their retreat. It is evident that the Mohegans did most of the effective fighting here; and very little execution was done besides in the pursuit, except that by Capt. Fenner's party from Providence.

It seems to have been the popular idea that the army of the united colonies, after the junction of the Connecticut troops, numbered about sixteen hundred, horse and foot. I have not been able to find any definite official statement, but as nearly as can be determined from available data, Massachusetts sent out about three hundred fresh troops in January; Connecticut, including her veterans and Indian allies, about five hundred; and Plymouth probably about one hundred. With allowance for the dead, wounded and disabled of Massachusetts and Plymouth, about two hundred; sixty left in garrison at Wickford, and there would be, at a rough estimate, fourteen hundred serviceable men

at Narraganset on January 28.

It will be noticed that Tift's evidence is that Philip is "about Quawpaug amongst a great many rocks by a Swampeside," and this may be taken as the supposed objective point or rendezvous of the Indians. The rear guard of the Indians were, at the date of his trial, or when he was captured, prowling about the settlements at Patuxit and Providence for an opportunity to drive off cattle, which purpose they succeeded in carrying out, some days



later, when the witness, who in this matter at least had given true testimony, had been "hung and quartered." The route of the main body of the Indians was in a northwest direction towards Quaboag, probably though the Wabbequasset country (now Woodstock) to the old Quaboag fort. Capt. Henchman, in the Mount Hope campaign, August, 1675, had marched into the Nipmuck country as far as the "second fort," at a place called "Wapososhequish" (probably Wabbaquasset), and then turned aside and marched to Mendon. In a direct line Woodstock is about forty miles from Wickford; by the regular trail it was doubtless much farther. In midwinter, with their scant knowledge of the country, with swollen streams to cross, an alert foe forever vanishing into the great wilderness, and eluding attack or luring to ambuscade, with provisions which the long waiting for Connecticut had served to reduce, their march was a hazardous undertaking, and probably was inspired by the hope of striking a final blow against their enemies, already reduced to great straits for provisions, arms and ammunition. They found "more than sixty horses' heads" at one place, probably at the late rendezvous of the Indians, "25 miles north of Mr. Smith's and 10 miles north of Providence."

Finding his provisions growing short, and his men worn with their long march and severe exposure, and seeing no prospect of bringing the enemy to a battle, General Winslow determined to abandon the pursuit, when the Indians betook themselves to the wilderness beyond Quaboag. I think the march commenced from Wickford on January 28, and it was probably on February 2d or 3d that the skirmish took place. It seems that the Connecticut and Indian forces were dismissed as early as February 3d, as they arrived home on the 5th, while the cavalry of Massachusetts and Plymouth reached Boston on the same day, the infantry remaining over at Marlborough, but a part of them marching down to Boston the next day. They were reduced to such straits that they killed and ate many of their horses, and the march was thence called by the people "the Hungry March."



CAPT. SAMUEL BROCKLEBANK'S COMPANY AND MARLBOROUGH GARRISON.

SAMUEL BROCKLEBANK, of Rowley, is said to have been born in England about 1630, and to have come to this country with his mother Jane, a widow, and his brother Samuel Brocklebank and his wife Hannah had children — Samuel, born 1653; Francis, born 1655; Hannah, Mary, Elizabeth, Sarah, and Joseph who was born in 1674. He was appointed deacon of the first church in Rowley in 1665. Elected captain of the Foot Company of Rowley in 1673. Was active in recruiting for the Narraganset campaign, and after the fort fight, on the second call for recruits, went out with a company about January 1st, as I judge from his credits, and those corresponding credits of his men, which according to my best estimates were for five weeks, up to February 5th, when they returned to Boston, and reckoned from the time they left Rowley. These are only inferences, however, drawn from the Journal and various casual references, and I have yet found no direct statement as to the officers and men who went out to Narraganset at the second call, and I have not found any mention of Capt. Brocklebank or other officers whom I shall credit with such service. After the return to Boston, Capt. Brocklebank, with his company, within one week was called to Marlborough, where he was placed in command of the garrisons and military operations, and remained until April 21st, when he marched to Sudbury, with Capt. Wadsworth and his company, where they were ambushed by the Indians, and both captains, with most of their men, were slain. The account of this battle is in the Capt. Wadsworth chapter, as he was in command.

After the death of Capt. Brocklebank, his widow married Richard Dole, of Newbury. His descendants of the name are quite numerous by his son Samuel and Elizabeth Platts his wife; by his daughters Mary and Sarah, who married William and Henry, sons of Richard Dole; and by his daughter Hannah, who married John Stickney.

Soldiers credited under Capt. Samuel Brocklebank:

February 29	9th 1675-6	Rowland Ravensbee	01	07	04
Samuel Mower	01 08 04	John Abbott	01	10	00
Joseph Parker	01 10 00				



March 24th 1675	-6		i	Simon Groe	03	09	04
Thomas Stamford	01	10	00	Nieholas Richardson	03	09	04
John Wilson	01	10	00	Robert Rand	01	10	00
Philip Butler	02	01	00	Richard Haven	01	10	00
John Linsy	01	10	00	James Day	01	17	08
John Humkins	02	02	00	Daniel Hutchins	03	10	00
SamuelBrocklebankCapt	.07	10	00	SamuelBrocklebankCapt	.14	11	00
John Hobson	01	10	00	July 24th 1676			
John Woodin	01	16	00	John Brown	02	08	00
Benjamin Peirson	01	10	08	Nathaniel Stephens	02	09	06
Daniel Tenny	01	10	00	Zechariah Ayres	01	10	0.0
John Jackson	01	10	00	Richard Bryan	08	11	0.0
John Wood	01	10	00	Thomas Kemball	02	08	0.0
April 24th 167	6			Philip Kertland	01	12	06
James Ford	01	15	00	John Stanwood	01		
John Giddings	03	00	00	Philip Stanwood		08	
Peter Jennings	01	15	00	Robert Pease		12	
John Pollard	01	10	10	Thomas Baker		09	
June 24, 1676	;			Benjamin Jones		16	
Richard Potter	02	02	00	Joseph Fellows		17	
Peter Jennings	04	16	00	John Lynd		09	
John Lovejoy	01	10	0.0	Joshuah Boynton		10	04
Jonathan Emery	03	12	00	August 24th 167			
Josiah Clark	06	06	00	Jonathan Fantom		10	
Henry Cooke	00	10	00	Peter Chever	03		00
Samuel Ireson	04	04	00	Samuel Perkins		18	
Simon Adams	04	11	08	Richard Jacob		15	10
Moses Bennett	03	18	10	Sept 23d 1676			
John Burrell	03	06		Richard Prince		11	
Thomas Brown	04	03	00	Samuel Peirce			00
John Wood	03	19	08	James Chafe		12	
Francis Gefford	03			Edward Sewery			00
Nath. Pease	05		00	Michael Derick	10	00	00
Samuel Hills	02	16	00				

Capt. Brocklebank wrote from Marlborough to Gen. Denison, March 27, 1676, asking that he and his company may be relieved to go home, giving his reason that they had been in the country's service "since the first of January at Narraganset, and within one week after their returne were sent out again, having neither time nor money (save a fortnight's pay upon the march) to recruite themselves."

THE GARRISON AT MARLBOROUGH.

Okkokonimesit was what Major Daniel Gookin called, and Ognonikongquamesit was the name by which Mr. Eliot knew, the "Praying Indian Village," situated within the limits of what became the town of Marlborough. The first English settlers went from the parent plantation of Sudbury. The Court's grant to the Indians through Mr. Eliot, in 1654, being prior to that



made to the English, the latter found to their disappointment that this Indian reserve, right in the midst of their own grant, must be respected by them if they wished to retain their own rights; for it is to the credit of the Massachusetts Council, that its members were, almost without exception, in favor of upright and humane dealing with the friendly Indians. These Indians above, were a branch of the Wamesit tribe, it is said, and had submitted to the Massachusetts Colony as early as 1643, and had received assurance of its protection of their rights. In 1674 this Indian town contained ten families, and about fifty souls. They were self-supporting, peaceable, and were becoming industrious and thrifty, but were evidently regarded with contempt and distrust by many of the neighboring English, who grudged them the possession of their grant of six thousand acres, including some of the best land in the township.

The Indian name of the locality was something like Whipsuppenick, but this became corrupted with the English settlers to

"Whipsufferage."

The town was incorporated as Marlborough in 1660. The first actual English settler was John Howe, who settled in 1657-8; and at the division of land, in 1660, there were thirty-eight

who were then, or soon after, residents.

Rev. Wm. Brimsmead was settled as their minister, and the new plantation flourished fairly until the breaking out of Philip's War. At this time, being a frontier town, it was exposed to attacks from all directions, and being situated upon the road to Connecticut, it had been regarded by the General Court as a point of military advantage, and a fort had been built, and a small garrison was kept there. Upon the outbreak of Philip's War, the retreat of Philip and his followers to the Nipmucks, and the consequent disturbance of the neighboring tribes, the people of Marlborough, under the lead of their minister, met early in October, and adopted measures of defence in addition to that afforded by the garrison which was under the command of Lieut, John Ruddock, of whose conduct of their military affairs, his townsmen, it seems, were jealous; and the people, as was the ease generally, were averse to the presence of the soldiers in their houses. After hostilities began, the Praying Indians, who had lived so long beside the settlers, became objects of suspicion and, in many instances, of unreasoning persecutions, in spite of the constant remonstrances of their friends, Rev. John Eliot, Major Gookin and the magistrates and leading men generally. Philip used all his powers of persuasion and intimidation to draw these Praying or Christian Indians to his side; but in spite of his arts, and the bitter popular prejudices of the English, and although forced to suffer great injustice and hardships, they were nearly all faithful to their engagements with the Colonists. The "new praying villages," which under Mr. Eliot's efforts were established,



in the way of missionary stations, in the vicinity of several neighboring tribes, were broken up by the "rumors of war," and the real converts came with their families into the older villages under the protection of the Colony. The Indian village at Marlborough was increased to about forty men, besides women and children, and under the direction of the English, they built a fort of considerable strength for themselves, and were furnished with ammunition and some with arms by the government, and others had suitable arms of their own. There is no doubt that these Indians were well disposed and faithful with very few exceptions, and might have been of very great help in all the subsequent movements of the war, if the headstrong prejudices of the people had not frightened and antagonized them in manifold ways. The hostile Indians sought to fix the stigma of their own depredations, often committed for that very purpose, upon the Christian Indians; and the attack upon Lancaster, Aug. 22, 1675, in which seven persons were killed, was attributed to them by "Indian David," who was tied up to a tree and forced to implicate somebody, himself having fallen under suspicion of shooting the Irish shepherd boy at Marlborough just before this. Those whom David particularly accused were the Hassanemesit Indians, now gathered into the Indian fort at Marlborough; and the popular clamor was so loud against them that Lieut. John Ruddock, in command of the garrison at Marlborough, demanded the arms and ammunition of the whole body of Indians to be given up. This demand was quietly acceded to, although there was no evidence against the Indians, and the act was entirely without the sanction of the Court; but the prejudices of the people were so strong, and their clamors so persistent, that Capt. Mosely, then in the vicinity with his company of sixty men, was appealed to, and nothing loth, under cover of his authority, gave the Indian fort up to the plunder and abuse of his soldiery. Fifteen of the Indians were arrested and sent down to Boston, tied neck to neck like galleyslaves, and the integrity of the Council was sorely taxed to keep the rage of the populace from executing these poor creatures without trial; but the law did prevail, and after a long trial and imprisonment at Boston of the eleven (out of the fifteen) who were accused, all were fully acquitted except their first accuser, David, who was condemned for the suspicion as to the shepherd boy, and also for his false accusations, and also the Indian Joseph Spoonant, tried by another jury; these two were condemned to be sold out of the country as slaves. This persecution seems to have broken up the Indian settlement at Marlborough.

In the meantime the garrison at Marlborough became a rendezvous for the troops going and coming to and from the western towns, and while it was occupied by soldiers the people felt some degree of security in their homes; but when the companies were drawn off they felt the danger of their exposed con-



dition, and after the disasters of Captains Beers and Lothrop, and the experiences of Springfield, Deerfield, etc., they resolved upon measures for better security. Upon October 1st they were called together, and took action as shown in the following paper preserved in the Massachusetts Archives, vol. 67, p. 277.

Marlborough the: 1: of October: 1675.

At a meeting of the inhabetants in order to take care for the safty of our town these following proposals were Agreed upon And volentaryly chosen unto that in case of asalt these places heare After mentioned should be defended by the persons that are expressed by name that is in

William Kerly's hous, of the town soulders: 2: or soulders allowed to the town

John How senior John ffay Thomas Marten Thomas How Joseph Wait Thomas King John Wetherbe John Mainard John Brigham

In Serjant Woods his hous of the town Souldeers-2-6 of the New-

tons, or solders Allowed to the town

John Woods Junior Isack How James Woods John Bellows Isack Woods Samuel Bellows

At Joseph Rices

John Barret Samuel Stow Samuel Rice

In John Johnson's hous: 9: and of the town Souldears 3:

In Deacon Wards hous of the town soulders-3-or soulders allowed the towne his own family 3

Abraham How Gershom Yeams William Taylor Samuel Ward

In Abraham Williams his house of the town soulders-3—or soulders allowed the towne

> Richard Barnes John Rediat Junior John Rideat Senior Samuel Brigham

> > John Rooks

In Thomas Rices hous of the town soulders—2—or soulders allowed to the town

John Brown John Bowser Peter Rice

Increas Ward Thomas Rice Junior And three men of Peter Bents To the Leftenant him self and the magazeen: 13: of the soulders that we re allowed to the town

to John Johnson: 3: to Deacon Ward 3 to Serjant Woods And William Kerly \\ 4 to Abraham Williams 3 to Thomas Rice 3

All these men to be maintained in their respective percels by the fam-

ilyes In the several fortifications where they are placed.

Also that the ammunition of the town hould be proportioned to the soulders of the town in these fortifications; this Above written is that which Acted and Assented unto by the persons whos names are subscribed.

Mr Brensmead Thomas Rice Josias How Deacon Ward John Johnson John Mainard



Thomas King Solomon Johnson Abraham How John How senior John Woods senior Richard Newton Abraham Williams Samuel Rice John Beliows Nathaniel Johnson John Woods Junior Joseph Newton Thomas Barnes John Rediat John ffay Moses Newton Richard Barnes James Taylor William Kerly

This Above writen was the Act of the town Agreeing with the Act of the Comettee of melecti as Attest

William Kerly — clarke

That this action was somewhat in opposition to the wishes of the military officer of the garrison, Lieut. John Rudduck, is proved by his letter below, from the Archives, vol. 68, p. 4:

Letter of Lieut. John Rudduck to the Council.

For the honored Councell

Honored Sirs. After my humble Duty presented these are to informe the honored Councill that Capt. Pool have sent to me four times for things spesefied in the note inclosed which I had none of but bread and liquors weh he have had but the other things I have none of and now the Rum is all gon he have had several gallons of Rum all Redv and the souldirs and posts passinge to and agen and the army have had the Rest alsoe our men at the garison want shoos and stockins and shurts very much they complaine to me dayly to goe home and suply themselves but I dare not let them goe becaus sum have gon on that acount and Com not againe namly John Boudage of Roxbury and John Orres a smeth of Boston and on Samuell Castin is Run away I sent to Mr Davison to aquaint athority with it but I heare noe more of it heare is but littell of anythinge Left in the Magaseen and if it please the hono'd Councell to give me order to remove what is left to my hous it would be less trouble to me and if anything be sent I may have it heare at my own hous I have set the garison soulders to fortify about my hous now they have fortified the Magaseen all Ready by my order and soe I intend to imply them for the defense of the Town humbly pray this honored Councell to send a suply for the soulders heare and at quoboag or derection how they shall be suplyed. Capt. Wayt commanded me to returne James Cheavers for absenting himself after he had prest him whom I have sent to make his own defence.

Your humble servant,

Marlborough Octob: ye 1st, 1675.

JOHN RUDDUCK

Sum of the gareson souldirs Informed me when I was geting to seale my letter that the Constable had been this morning and warned the soulders to com to me for their veetls for the Town would diet them no longer I desire derection in this case and allsoe that he had warned them that did quarter them to quarter them no more

John Rudduck.

I am of Nesessity constrained to provid vietles for them till I heare from the Councell how they will order it.

Capt. Poole's requisition, enclosed in the above letter.

To the Comisary at Malbery Sur we want drawers and wastcots and I am forsed to let men goe home to fetch clothing becas they want and



have no supply Sur I pray send sum soft tobacow and bred by thos persons I pray send me the runlit of lickours for the army will drene us doubles not els but rest yours

date 30: 7th: '75

JONATHAN POOLE Capt.

Another letter from him is in Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 279:

Second Letter of Lieut. John Rudduck to the Council.

For the honoured Governor & Council.

Honored Sir After my humble Duty presented these are to signify to this honored Councel that upon hearinge the Councell was Informed the Constable had forbed the men that were quarteered in the town and sent them to me for quarter sum cam to me this morninge and threatened me if the men were taken away I should Answer it and many threateninge words and many were gathered together about it I understand great Complaints are like to be made against me to the Councell but I hope the honoured Councell will have Charity for me till I can com to Answer for myself: in Regard to the charge of the town and of the Country. I cannot with convenience come down the charge of the mageseen beinge committed to me troubles me very much they are offended that I bringe the souldiers to meetinge with me and say I must have soe many men to gard me it well known to many that it have bene my practise ever since I have had a family I use to have them to meetinge with me I thinke it my duty having a garison of Souldiers to have them to meeting with mee allsoe I seet sum of them the on half to gard the Town in the forenoon and the other in the Afternoon and them that do not ward I have to meeting with me: when we met together to apoynt houses to be ffortified I would have had houses apoynted and men apoynted to these houses but the Insign would not yeald to that but would have the town caled together to see what houses they were willinge to goe to and to fortify soe the designe was that my house should not be ffortified nor have any gard if danger be they themselves will have the Inhabitants to gard theire houses but if I have any I must have of the soulders and be at Charges to maintaine them myself I have propounded to them that the Inhabitants be equally devided to the houses that are to be garded and the garison soulders divided likewise but they would not yeld to that soe unless the honoured Councell be plesed to determin this thinge it will not be determined sum have manedged theire maters soe that I have Leetle or noe comand of the Inhabitants of the town the sum of all is there are that cannot swolow that pill that I should have so much trust and pour commeted to me soe I desire to leve myself with God and this honored Councell The pore leve themselves with God Your humble Seruant

Marlborough this 4 Octo 1675

JOHN RUDDUCK.

When the army returned from the Narraganset campaign, and most of the troops were discharged at Boston. Feb. 5, 1675-6, we learn from Gen. Gookin's "History of the Christian Indians" that Capt. Wadsworth with his company was left at Marlborough "to strengthen that frontier." He remained there until early in March, when the newly levied army was gathered there under the



command of Major Thomas Savage, and was organized under the immediate personal inspection of Maj. Gen. Daniel Denison. It was at this time that Capt. Mosely's haughty and unrebuked insubordination, backed up by the lawless, Indian-hating element of the army, occurred, and gave the commanders so much difficulty; for when Job Kattenanit, a friendly Indian, whose fidelity had been proved by successful and faithful report of the condition of the hostile Indians, to whom he with James Quannapohit had been sent as a spy, and, in order to keep faith with the English, had left his wife and children in the hands of the hostiles and returned to our army, bringing information which, if it had been heeded, would have saved great destruction and suffering. - when this man had been given a permit to go and bring in his family. who were to meet him on a certain day, Capt. Mosely raised such a hue and cry that the commanders were obliged to submit, and sent after him at once.

The course of events in the town, including the attack, is shown in the following letters:

Capt. Brocklebank's Letter to the Council.

Much Honnored sirs. Malborough 28 of: 1: 1676

After the duty I owe unto your Honnor this may let you understand that the assault the enemy made upon the towne of Malborough upon sabbath day did much dammage as the inhabbitants say, to the burning of 16 dwelling houses besides about 13 barnes and seemingly did indeaver to draw out the men out of the garisons but we not knowing ther numbers and our charge of the Countries ammunition and provission durst not goe out then on Sabbath day night there came about 20 men from Sudbury and we out of the severall garrison drew out about twenty more and in the night they went out to see if they could discover the enemy and give theme some checke in ther proceeding who found them laid by ther fires and fired on them and they run away at present but the number being few and not knowing the number of the enemie but aprehending by ther noyse and fireing at them they indeavored to compass them in the returne home without any losse of any man or wound from the enemie only one of my men by the breaking of his gun his hand is sorely shattered which for want of helpe here I have sent to Charlestowne or elsewhere in the bay where your honnors may thinke best for his helpe: we have great cause to acknowledge the goodnesse of God toward us for his gracious preservation of us the enemye is gone at the p'sent as we aprehend by the seouts that went out yesterday the which we may expect eare long will fall on us with greater strength and rage by reason of the breakfast that they had on Monday morning the scouts found only one indian dead thus in briefe your honnors will understand how it is with us: from him who is your honnors servant

SAMUELL BROCKLEBANKE Capt

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 180.



General Daniel Denison's Letter.

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Yesterday I received a letter from Capt. Brocklebanck at Marlborough signifying his desire of being dismissed with his company the reasons he alleadges are 1. their necessities & wants having beene in the countryes service ever since the first of January at Narriganset & within one weeke after their return were sent out againe having neither time nor money (save a fortnights paye upon their march) to recruite themselves 2. he saith they doe little where they are: & he understands they are called off by the Council. I shall make bould to request the like favor in the behalfe of those (at least) some of those troopers & dragoons of Essex that went out last, intended for Hadley but by reason of the disaster at Groton diverted to Concord &c. to beate of & prosecute the enemy in those parts and I directed orders to Major Willard, that with those he first tooke up wth him & then sent, together with the garrisons at Marlborough Lancaster & Chelmsford (if need more) in all above 200 men he might not only defend the townes but might prosecute the enemy there, being within 2 dayes march, but I heare of no such attempt nor indeed of any considerable improvement of them that hath beene, or is like to be. I am therefore sollicitous for many of them that out of a respect to myself went willingly, hoping of a speedy returne to their families and occasions some of them more than ordinary great and urgent I intreate therefore they may be presently considered & eased to attend the seed time &c. and if there be necessity that others may be sent in their roomes, who may with far less detriment be spared. The stockade from Watertowne to Wamesit, might better be from Watertowne to Sudbury river 9 miles taking in more country, & that river being as good a stop as the stockade the greatest objection is Merrimack river though broad yet I understand is fordable in 20 places betweene Wamesit & Haveril, & cannot be safe without guards weh must be kept upon it, for hast I Jumble many things, weh be pleased to pardon The Lord Look in mercy upon his poore distressed people upon your selves in particular so prayes

Ips March 27: 1676

your humble Servant
Daniel Denison.

The inclosed are certificates of delinquents on the last press in Norfolk & of the troopers that should have gone with Capt. Whipple to Hadley

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 179.

First Letter of the Council to Lieut. Jacob.

Left Jacob. The Council having lately receaved Information of Gods further frowne upon us in taking and depriving the Country both of y' Captaine and Capt Wadsworth with severall others by permitting the enemy to destroy them yesterday so y' y' Capt. Brocklebanke's chardge is devolved on y'self. The Councel judge meet to leave the souldiers under his charge to yo' care and chardge, and doe order you to take the care and chardge of the sayd Company that you be vigilant & diligent in that place & as seasonably and speedily as you cann to give Information to y' Councel of the state, numbers & condition of



y' souldiers in that Garrison under y' command desiring God's Grace & blessing to be w'h you. Remayne

yor loving freinds

EDW. RAWSON, Secretary.

Boston 22 Aprill 1676

by Order of the Council

Postscript. you are alike ordered to take care & command of the place (ie) Marlborrow to preserve it what in you lyes.

EDW. RAWSON, Secretary like order

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 222.

Lieut. Richard Jacob's First Letter.

from Malbary ye 22 April 1676.

Honord Sirs This morning aboute Sun two hours high ye Enimie Alarmed us by firing & Shooting towards ye Lowermost Garason Next Sudbury, which made us feare y' Garason to be in Danger which shooting we afterward understood was ye Enimie killing off Cattle. Some after they gave a shout & Came in sight upon ye Indian hill great Numbers of them & one as their accustomed maner is after a fight, began to signifie to us how many were slaine. They Cohoop'd seventyfour times, which we hoped was only to affright us seing we have had no intelegence of any such thing, yet we have Reason to feare the worst Considering Theire Numbers which we aprehended to be five hundred at ye least others Thinke a thousand ye most of yem hasted toward ye Northwest side of ye towne firing ye Remainder of ye Garason houses & others y' were deserted as they went: they have been hunting in al quarters of ye towne to kill & take what Cattle were without Comand of ye four Garasons That yet Remain. Severall of ye furthermost houses of this town next Sudbury have bin fired now toward Night which gives Reason to Thinke that ye Enimie is not yet Departed from us: Thus I thought it my Duty to give a briefe account of ye present proceedings of ye Enimie: to your Honuours Leaving itt with your wisdoms Consideration.

Beging pardon for This my Bouldness I Remaine your Honoures Humble Servant RICHARD JACOB.

Attached to the above letter is Secretary Rawson's Copy of an Order of the Council, as follows:

Leftenant Jacob, yesterday upon the Councils having the sad intelegence of yer Capt. & Capt. Wadsworth death ordered your taking the charge of the souldgers at Malborough since weh I received your of 22 Apr. giving intelegence of the enemyes infesting yer quarters & apearance in a boddy of at least 500 & these wasting by fyers what they can come at so driving cattle, yesterday was ordered eighty troopers to advance to observe the motions of the enemy yer twoe souldgers returne with a piy of horse to Sudbery & so with these to you I desyer your vigilance & care for the preserving your men & what is under your charge & you shal have flurther orders so soone as the Councell meete, desyring Gods presence with and assistance of you, 23, 2, 76.

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 223.



Lieutenant Richard Jacob's Second Letter.

Marlborough 24. Aprill 1676.

Honoured Sirs, Having now Received Information of God's ffurther frowns on ye Country In Suffering two Such worthy Captaines to fall before ye Enimie whome we might have hop' to have bin Instruments of more good in these troublous times: But In this God's will is Done.

Receiving an Order from your Honours wherein your Honours are pleased to Devolve ve charge and betrustment of our late Capt. Brocklebanke upon me, for which I am sensible of my Inethiciency & Incapacity, vet Since tis your Honours pleasure, to Require me to Certifie your Honours of ve state of ve soldeirs & of ye place. That I shall Readyly, here is Remaining of our Company about fourty-six, Several whereofe are young soldiers left here by Capt Wadsworth being unable to march. The Towne is wholy consumed Excepting four Garasons that were man'd when the Enimie was last with us, all ye cattle without Reach of The garasons are Lost: one of yo Garason Houses which was Jude'd to be most fitt by our Captaine: who your Honours did apoynt to order according to his Discretion for a stated garason now burnt by Reason off ye Inhabitants not attending thereunto Every one being Carful to Secure his private Interest, here is only Remaining These two houses where the Magazine Lyes That are in a Capacity to assist each other. ye other two Lying att a greater Distance with other Inconveniences. May it please your Honours further to Order of ye state of our Company being Generally such as live upon Husbandry & seed time being now far spent which may be prejudiciall to ourselves & others if ye season so slipt. But I shall leave that to your Honours Consideration only begging pardon for my bouldnes I Rest your Honours Servant RICHARD JACOB to my utmost ability

Postscript: Some of ye principle of ye Towns men In the behalfe of ye Rest yt are yet Remaining which are but few Would Desire your Honours to Consider their present Condition being altogether incapable for Remaining without assistance both with Carts & a Guard They are destitute of Carts Their Teames being at Sudburie & not Daring to Returne. Removing of their goods if your Honours see meete to Grant it or otherwise willing to refer their loss to your Honours further Consideration.

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 227.

Most of the inhabitants deserted their farms after the destruction of the town on March 26, 1676, and with the exception of a few families who remained for a time in the garrisoned houses, the families came to the towns nearer Boston, and returned only after the war was over. The garrison was maintained until the close of the war, and was an important rendezvous for the forces.

Soldiers Credited with Military Service at the Garrison at Marlborough

September 21st 1675			William Turner	01 19 04
		0.4	Thomas Owen	04 13 04
John Dunster 02	0.0	0.0	Joseph Barber	02 14 00



October 19th 1675			Daniel Davison,			
James Cheevers 02	14	00	Commissary,	05	14	00
Thomas Turner 02	12	00	Jonathan Orris	03	12	00
William Blackwell 03	02	06	Jonathan Orris Richard Roberts	02	16	06
Henry Gibbs 03	07	00	William Turner			
Richard Roberts 04	04	00	February 29, 1675	-6		
November 20 1675			Robert Rownden		04	00
Timothy Laskin 04	13	04	Thomas Owen	02	18	02
William Ferman 02	08	00	William Farman	03	17	00
	00	00	Gustin John	01	19	04
Richard Young 03 Daniel Roff 03	12	00	March 24th 1675-	6		
Daniel Roff 03	02	00	Richard Young	00	13	00
Jacob Adams 04	13	04	April 24th 1676			
Jonathan Jackson 04	13	04	Thomas Hopkins	00	09	00
Daniel Weight 04	13	04	Benjamin Parmater	02	03	08
Daniel Weight 04 John Figg 01	10	00	June 24th 1676			
John Broughton 02	12	02	Daniel Weight	02	09	08
January 25th 1675-6			Thomas Dennis	01	05	06
	08	06	July 24th 1676			
Richard Young 03	06	00	Timothy Laskin		09	08
Henry Gibbs 02 John Nash 00	19	00	John Burges			
John Nash 00	18	00	September 23d 167			
Jonathan Jackson 01	05	08			02	00
Obadiah Searle 06	08	00	Joseph Davis		00	



XVI.

CAPT. SAMUEL WADSWORTH AND THE SUDBURY FIGHT.

THE last chapter closed the account of affairs at the garrison at Marlborough during and immediately after the fight at Sudbury, with the letters of Lieut. Richard Jacob, upon whom the command of the garrison devolved after Captain Brocklebank's death. And it is well to bear in mind that, between the time of the requests of Gen. Denison and Capt. Brocklebank, that the garrison might be relieved to go home, etc., and these letters of Lieut. Jacob, the new army under Major Savage had marched out from Marlborough to the Connecticut River, driving the main body of the hostile Indians beyond that river, as was supposed, but, as was found afterwards, leaving a great number gathered near Mount Wachuset. After operating till about March 28th in defence of the western towns, he was ordered to leave one hundred and fifty men under command of Capt. Turner, and return home as far as Marlborough, and await further orders. By an order of the Council, passed April 10, 1676, Major-Gen. Denison was to meet and dispose the returning troops at Marlborough.

In the meantime the Indians, closely watching the movements of our forces, and alert to strike at every exposed point, on Sunday, March 26th, attacked Marlborough, as we see by Capt. Brocklebank's letter, and burned a large part of the town. The garrisons were unable, or feared, to attack them in force; but that night, Lieut. Jacob of Captain Brocklebank's company, with twenty of his men and twenty volunteers, coming up from Sudbury, followed and surprised the Indians sleeping by their fires, and killed some of them, though it is not known how many. Mr. Hubbard says they wounded thirty, fourteen of whom did the same day or soon after, and popular rumor, as usual, exaggerated the number, and in this case made it seventy. It is necessary now to go back and bring the personal account of Capt. Wadsworth up even with the general matters related above.

Capt. Samuel Wadsworth was the son of Christopher, who came from England in the ship Lion, it is said; was settled in Duxbury in 1632 with wife Grace (Cole), and had four children.



who, in their mother's will, 1688, are fiamed in order, viz., Joseph,

Samuel, Mary and John, and the last was born 1638.

Capt. Samuel moved to Milton about 1656 and selected a large tract of land in the centre of that town, and settled there with his wife Abigail, daughter of James Lindall, of Duxbury. Their children, born between 1659 and 1674, were Ebenezer, Christopher, Timothy, Joseph, Benjamin, Abigail, and John, whose descendants have honored the name in their generations.

Of these, Ebenezer and Christopher settled in Milton, where the latter died in 1687, aged about 24 years. Benjamin, born 1670, graduated, Harvard College, 1690; ordained minister of First Church in Boston, September 8, 1696; elected president of

Harvard College in 1725, and died 1737.

John Wadsworth, youngest son of Capt. Samuel, was born in 1674; became a prominent citizen of Milton; had a family of twelve children, of whom his second son, Benjamin, built a house now standing in Milton. Capt. E. D. Wadsworth, a lineal descendant, now lives on a part of the original estate of Capt. Samuel.

Agreeably to the order of the Commissioners of the United Colonies to raise one thousand men to continue the war against the Indians, passed at Boston, December 25th, Massachusetts, on the 28th, issued orders for impressing three hundred men forthwith; Essex 105, Middlesex 83, Suffolk 112; the time and

place of rendezvous being January 5th, at Dedham.

Of the recruits that were sent out at this time, Capt. Samuel Wadsworth, the subject of the present chapter, commanded one company. There is no published reference to such service, and only the casual mention in Gen. Gookin's account of the "Praying Indians," and by the writer of the pamphlet "News from New England," to the effect that, when the army returned to Marlborough, and the rest of the forces were dismissed, "Capt. Wadsworth with his company was left at Marlborough." The garrisons from all the frontier towns, save such as the inhabitants furnished, had been withdrawn by an order of the Council, January 14th. There is no mention of Capt. Wadsworth until the return to Marlborough, and therefore our account of him and his company must begin there; they, having taken part in the "Hungry March" from Narraganset, were now left to bear the brunt of any attack the Indians might make upon the frontiers.

On February 6th the Council issued an order to Major Appleton, then at Marlborough with the returned army, to dismiss the soldiers to their several homes, "as soone as the Sabbath is past." But it will be remembered that Gen. Winslow, now in command of the army, and under the pressure of the lack of provisions, would scarcely wait for this order, and probably marched to Boston on February 5th, with at least a large proportion of his army.



Rev. Increase Mather, living in Boston at the time, and deeply interested in all these affairs, writes in his history: "Feb. 5th, the Army returned to Boston not having obtained the end of their going forth;" while the anonymous contemporary writer of the pamphlet above mentioned, states that "Major Gen. Winslow only with his Troops (marched) to Boston, leaving the Foot at Malbury and South-bury, who came home on Munday following and were all dismist to their several Habitations except Capt. Wadsworth, who was left at Malbury in pursuit of the Enemy of whom he destroyed about 70 Old Men Women and Children, who wanted strength to follow the fugitive Army." Hull's treasury accounts agree with this date of the disbanding of the army, so that Capt. Wadsworth's operations on the frontiers, with his headquarters at Marlborough, began doubtless on the same day.

On February 10th a large body of Indians fell upon Lancaster and burned near half the town, consisting of about fifty families, but succeeded in capturing only one of the garrison houses, of which there were several. The one captured was that of Rev. Joseph Rowlandson, who was himself absent at the time in Boston, seeking assistance from the Council for the threatened town. The house was sufficiently garrisoned, but the enemy succeeded in setting fire to the rear portion, and forced all within to surrender or die, as the house was quickly burned to the ground. Forty-two persons were thus made prisoners, most of whom were women and children. As soon as the news of this attack upon Lancaster reached Marlborough, Capt. Wadsworth mustered a company of about forty men of his garrison and hastened to the rescue of the remaining part of the town. On one side the Indians had cut off the approach of assistance, as they supposed, by tearing off the planks from the bridge; but the English readily repaired this and passed over, and by a secret way were led into the town, where they succeeded in driving off the enemy.

During the rest of this month Capt. Wadsworth and his men were employed scouting along the frontier, with headquarters chiefly at Marlborough, I think, where Capt. Brocklebank was in command, whose company, dismissed on February 5th. had been called again into service upon the news of the assault upon Lancaster. An order of the Council, dated February 11th, appoints Capt. Samuel Wadsworth; Robert Badcocke, Sergeant; and "those that are at present selectmen" a council of militia for

¹ This writer is unreliable in his account of the war, and in attributing this last explicit to Capalaward underword underword the control of Lancaster by him with the midnight surprise of Indians March 27th, by Liout, Lacob. But while his direct statements are to be received with exaction, he would be processor variable as hints of existing facts which others do received with exaction of which, contrined by evidence gleaned from the Archives, throw light point things which has either to been entirely unknown in history, for instance, this reference to Capt. Wadsworth, together with Major Gookin's mention, is the only hint, in published accounts, that connects him with the Narrayanest campaign, and in these references there is only interestial evidence, and in regard to Capt. Brocklebank there is absolutely no reference until the present investigations based upon Treasurer Hull's accounts, but following up the claus, there is pleaty of evidence in the Archives of these officers and others having had part in this campaign, that have never been mentioned in connection with it.



Milton; and this would seem to indicate the design of the Council to keep Capt. Wadsworth upon the home frontiers, as will

further appear.

When, on the first of March, the newly levied army was being organized at Marlborough for operations in the west, Capt. Wadsworth was there with his company, and was sent out by the General to recall Job Kattenanit upon the occasion detailed in the last chapter.

In making up the army the General made a selection of the best soldiers out of all at his disposal, and among other changes, transferred a part of Capt. Wadsworth's company to Capt. William Turner, who led out a company in this expedition to the west.

A letter from William Torrey to the Council dated March 7th, expresses gratitude for the assistance rendered by the Council in defence of the towns of Milton, Braintree, Weymouth and Hingham, and says that the Major General has "ordered the remaynder of Capt. Wadsworth and Capt. Jacobs forces to be a guard to our townes," etc.; and that Capt. Wadsworth and his men shall be a

guard to Milton, Braintree, etc.

The credits in Hull's account indicate the discharge of the remainder of the company about the 7th or 8th of March, and thereafter they were employed as home-guards, and supported by their respective towns, and there is no further mention of service by Capt. Wadsworth during the next month, the operations in the western towns engrossing all the energies of the colonies and all the attention of the people. The soldiers are credited with service up to this time, and thus properly the names and credits are given in this place.

Credited under Capt, Samuel Wadsworth.

February 29, 1675-6.			James Stuart	03	15	09	
Henry Pellington	00	12	00	Thomas Woods	02	10	06
Robert Miller	01	01	04	April 24th 1676			
John Rowlston	01	01	04	James Dalvine	02	07	02
Stephen Fielder	01	01	04	Jacob Leonard	02	09	08
March 24th 1675	6-6.			Robert Braine	02	14	00
John Starr	02	08	00	Samuel Wadsworth, Capt	15	00	0.0
Nathaniel Jewett	02	02	02	James Ford		15	
John Hunt	04	02	03	Peter Roberts	01	18	06
James Hadlock	03	04	00	Robert Corbett	02	06	02
Thomas Vos, Lieut	07	10	00	Henry Ledebetter	02	11	00
Ebenezer Williams	02	11	00	Robert Parker	02	14	10
Richard Evans	02	14	10	Timothy Tilston	02	05	00
William Seant	02	14	10		03	15	00
John Horsington	02	14	10	June 24th 1676.			
John Trescott	00	18	10	George Ripley	02	06	02
Timothy Wales	02	04	06	Robert Munson	03	06	00
William Deane	03	12	00	Robert Judd	01	11	06
Mortho Hurley	02	07	02	John Hands	02	07	00



John Adis	02			James Badeock	00	09	00
Ephraim Pond	02 (08	00	John Thare	02	14	10
Jonathan Gray	02 (08	00	July 24th 1676.			
Abraham Hathaway	02 +	08	00	Paul Gilford	02	09	06
Richard Evans	01	14	02	Joshuah Lane	05	14	00
John Redman	02	14	10	John Alger	02	08	00
James Badcock	03	03	00	Jeremiah Hood	02	08	00
Thomas Beetle	02	04	10	Robert Mutson	02	08	00
Thomas Mory	02 (08	00	Samuel Gill	02	09	06
Thomas Laurence	03	13	08	August 24th 1676			
John Baker	03	18	08	John Angell	03	12	00
Thomas Williams	02	08	10	Jonathan Dunning	08	19	0.0
John Poole	02	09	08	Edward Mortmore	02	08	00
Joseph Bosworth	02	15	08	Samuel Nicholson	01	07	04
Robert Milton	02	15	08	Edward Samson	02	08	00
Isaac Lobdell	02	15	08	Sept. 23 ^d 1676			
William Hooper	03	13	08	John Tuckerman	00	12	00
William Lyon	01	10	00				

THE SUDBURY FIGHT.

Upon the disbanding of the army under Gen. Winslow, as noted in the first of this chapter, the Indians began to gather in towards the frontier towns in large numbers, evidently elated at the apparent inability and supposed discouragement of the English. Upon April 18th they came upon Marlborough again, and burned the houses they had left in the former attack. They hovered about the town for two days, evidently seeking to draw out the soldiers from the garrisons and away into an ambush, according to their usual mode of warfare. They did not dare to engage the garrisons, however, or to come within range of the guns, but having invested the town with small parties set in ambush to guard the roads and prevent messengers or relief passing to and fro, they began to creep slowly in about Sudbury upon Thursday. April 20th. In the meantime, according to the best evidence of the best accounts from contemporary sources, Capt. Wadsworth, with a company of some fifty or more men, marched out of Boston towards Marlborough upon the same day, expecting to make up the company to one hundred with the quotas of the Middlesex towns, but did not have over seventy probably on his arrival at Marlborough, which it was the design that he should relieve with the company of one hundred men impressed 1 for the purpose, of whom not more than seventy appeared, and these, many of them, mere boys. They marched through Sudbury in the evening of the 20th, and without any sign of attack from the great body of Indians lying about the town and its approaches, arrived in Marl-

¹ All kinds of pretexts were used to avoid the drafts at this time. For instance, an impressment of men in the militia company of Capt, Clarke of Boston, on the 18th and 18th, for this service, resulted as follows:

Aaron Stephens, Philip Cain, James Burges, Themas Wats, John Pittam and Robert Miller, hid away and could not be found except the two last, who declared they would rather "be hanged, drawne and quartered than gee;" and only one, Thomas Smith, oneyed. Aftest the Officers, Francis Hudson, Jacob Fernieide.



borough near midnight, where, learning that the enemy had gone towards Sudbury, Capt. Wadsworth, after a brief stop and slight reorganization of his company, leaving some of the boys that were unable to march, at the garrison, and doubtless taking some fitter men in their places, and being joined by Capt. Brocklebank, who apparently started for Boston, being relieved of his charge at the garrison by the coming of Capt. Wadsworth, with this company

he marched hastily back towards Sudbury.

While this company were thus marching to and from Marlborough, the enemy were gathering more closely about Sudbury, as the following account, contained in the petition of the inhabitants who suffered loss in the attack, shows. The paper has been buried in the old court files for more than two hundred years, and was discovered by the writer opportunely for insertion in this chapter. This paper gives much new material in regard to the fight, and incontrovertible contemporary testimony that the fight occurred on the 21st of April.

To y^e Hon^{ble} Governou' Dept Govern' Magistrates and Deputies of y^e Gen" Court assembled at Boston y^e 11th October 1676

The humble Petition of ve poore distressed Inhabitants of Sudbury Humbly Sheweth. That Whereas yor impoverished Petitionrs of Sudbury have received intelligence of a large contribution sent out of Ireland by some pious & well affected p'sons for ye releife of their brethren in New England distressed by ye hostile intrusion of ye Indian Enemy, and that upon this divers distressed townes have presented a list of theire losses sustained by fireing and plundering of their Estates. Let it not seeme presumption in yor poore petitioners to present a list of what damages we sustained by yo Enemyes attempts hopeing that or lott will be to be considered among our brethren of the tribe of Joseph being encouraged by an act of our Honbe Genll Court that those who have sustained considerable damage should make address to this prent Session. And is there not a reason for our releife? Not only by reason of Our great losses but also for Our Service pformed in repelling ve Enemy! Let ye Most High have ye high praise due unto him; but let not ye unworthy Instruments be forgotten. Was there with us any towne so beset since ye warre began, with twelve or fourteen hundred fighting men various Sagamores from all Parts with their men of Armes & they resolved by our ruin to revenge ye releife which Our Sudbury volunteers afforded to distressed Marlborough in slaying many of ve Enemy and repelling ye rest. The strength of our towns upon ye Encmy's Approaching it consisted of Eighty fighting men. True many houses were fortified & Garrison'd, & tymously after ye Enemy's invasion, and fireing some Volunteers from Watertowne, & Concord & deserving Capt: Wadsworth with his force came to Our releife, which speedy & noble service is not to be forgotten. The Enemy well knowing our Grounds, passes, avenues, and Scituations had neare surrounded Our towne in yo Morning early (wee not knowing of it) till discovered by fireing severall disserted houses: the Enemy with greate force & fury assaulted Deacon Haines House well fortified yet badly



scituated, as advantageous to y^e Enemys approach & dangerous to y^e Repellant, yet (by y^e help of God) y^e garrison not onely defended y^e place from betweene five or six of y^e clock in y^e Morning till about One in y^e Afternoon but forced y^e Enemy with Considerable slaughter to

draw-off.

Many Observables worthy of Record hapned in this assault, Vizt That noe man or woman seemed to be possessed with feare; Our Garrison men kept not within their garrisons, but issued forth to fight ye Enemy in theire sculking approaches: Wee had but two of our townesmen slaine, & yt by indiscretion, none wounded; The Enemy was by few beaten out of houses which they had entered and were plundering; And by a few hands were forced to a running flight which way they would; The spoyle taken by them on ye East side of ye river was in greate p'e recovered.

Furthermore p'mitte yo' humble Petition' to present a second Motion, And let it be acceptable in ye eyes of this our Grand Court Vizt.

That whereas by an Act of Our late Gen'l Court Tax rates are leavied upon Our towns amounting to £200 (as appeareth pr Warrant from Our Treasurer, which said sum was leavied by Our Invoice taken in ye yeare before Our greate damage susteyned. It is ye humble & earnest request of yor Petition's to commiserate Our Condition in granting to us some abatement of ve said sum, for ve ensueing considerations, Vize ffirst Our towne to pay full for their Rates then taken, which in greate pte they have now lost by the Enemys invasion may seeme not to sayour of pitty no not of equity. Secondly if yo Service p'formed at Sudbury (by ye help of ye Almighty) whereby ye Enemy lost some say 100, some 105, some 120, and by that service much damage prevented from hap'ning to other places whereby ye Country in generall was advantaged, reason requires some favorable consideration to yor Servants of Sudbury. For if it be considered what it hath cost Our Country in sending out some forces some of which pties have not returned with ye certaine newes of such a number slaine as with us, is it not reasonable that this service soe beneficiall should not be considered with some reward which may most easily be effected by issueing forth an Act of your grace in a sutable abatemt of ye said Sum leavied, with ye conferring of a Barril of Powder & sutable shott in regaurd that yo' Petitioners have spent not onely theire owne stock of either, but much of ye Towne stock. To which humble and Equitable Motions if Our honble Court shall benignely condescend, You will deeply oblidge yo' humble petitioners not onely to pray for y' p'sence of yo Lord to be with you in all yor arduous affaires with the blessing of The Almighty upon all yo' Undertakings but shall for Ever remaine Yor humble servants

Edm: Browne
Edm: Goodnow
John Groutt
John Haines
Josiah Haynes
Joseph Parminter
Joseph Parmenter

Thomas Veal
Peter King
John Loker Sen'

Peter Noyes
Jonathan Stanhope
Edward Wright

John Blanford
John Allen
Henry Curtis
John Brewer
James Ross
Richard Burk
John Smith
Thomas Brewes?



Joseph Noyes
John Goodenow
Mathew Gibs
Thomas Wedge

Jabez Browne John Grout jun^r Joseph Graves Tho: Walker Samuell How Henry Loker

In Ans' to the Petion' for Abatement in their last Ten Country Rates by reason of their losses in Estates by the Common Enemy; Wee uppon examination finde y' in their last Assm' their estates falls short 4'. 9'. in their single County Rate, doe therefore judge meet, s' Towne of Sudbury be Allowed 44, 10, 0 out of their whole sum to them pr Rates & Referring to their request for a Barrell of Powder

&c wee refer it to ye Courts determination.

WILLIAM PARKER? HUGH MASON JOHN WAYTE

The deputyes approve of the ret. of this Committee in answer to this p'e O' Hono'd Magist's Consenting thereto William Torrey, Cleric 25 October 1676 Consented to by y'e Magist's Edwd Rawson, Sect'y.

An Accompt of Losse sustained by several Inhabitants of ye towne of Sudbury by ye Indian Enemy ye 21st Aprill 1676.

Mary Bacon formerly	y ^e Relict	Thomas Rice	100 00 00
of Ensigne Noves	£140 00 00	Widd. Whale	024 00 00
Thomas Plympton	130 00 00	Henry Curtice	200 00 00
Deacon John Haines	130 00 00	John Brewer	120 00 00
Serj: Josiah Haines	190 00 00	Jacob Moores	050 00 00
Capt: James Pendleton	060 00 00	Henry Loker	100 00 00
John Goodenow	150 00 00	Joseph ffreeman	080 00 00
William Moores	180 00 00	Joseph Graves	060 00 00
Edward Wright	100 00 00	Peter King	040 00 00
Elias Keyes	060 00 00	Widd. Habgood	020 00 00
John Smith	080 00 00	Benjamin Crane	020 00 00
Samuell How	140 00 00	Thomas Wedge	015 00 00
Mr Pelham	050 00 00	John Blanford	010 00 00
Mr Thomas Steevens	015 00 00	Thomas Brewes	010 00 00
Corporall Henry Rice	180 00 00	Richard Burt	010 00 00
John Allen	060 00 00	Thomas Reade	003 00 00
James Rosse	070 00 00		
John Grout Jun ^r	060 00 00	Totall Sum	2707 00 00

Besides ye uncovering of many houses & Barnes & some hundreds of Acres of land which lay unimproved for feare of ye Enemy to our greate loss and Damage.

(Endorsed)

Sudbury's Accompt of Losses (and also) Sudbury's Losses — 76

This paper, never before published, gives a new phase of the fight. (Mass. Arch., vol. 30, p. 205.)

The deposition of Edward Cowell Aged About — years — This deponant upon oath testifieth that I being upon the Counteries



Searvis in Aprill last and haveing under my Conduct Eighteen men; Upon our Returning from Mallberough to Boston; and About three Milles From Sudbeury Wee ware surprised with divers Hundred of Indians; Wheere of this Indian Tom was one (—) by a grombling signe or Noyse that hee Mayde; as in My Judgement was the Cause of our being filored upon; at which tyme fower of my Company was killed and one Wounded; beside flive horses ware disenabled they Being Shott upon Capt. Wadsworths Ingadgine with the Indian I wentt Backe and Beuryed the fower men which were killed whereof (Lt.?) Thomas Haw-[le]y, and Hopkinsies son both of Roxbeury; [Edmund Rice¹] Goodman [Baker's?] son and Robert Wayle[s] of Dorchister.

Sworn to before the Council 19 June 1676.

EDWARD RAWSON, Secretary.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE, ETC., ABOUT THE SUDBURY FIGHT.

Letter of the Massachusetts Council to the Governor of Plymouth.

Hond Sr Since or last to you It pleaseth the holy God to give still further successe to the Enemye in this Colony by killing two men the one in Hingham, & the other in Weymouth aboute the same tyme At Marlborough also upon Tuesday and Wednesday last they burned the remainder of the Houses, so that now but three are standing that we know of but two or three garrisons; This day we have intelligence in the general that Sudbury was this morning assaulted and many houses burnt down, particulars and the more full certainty of things is not yet come to hand whilest we are consulting what to doe, earnestly we are moved to settle some of o' faithful Indians at Meadfield or Punquapoag, & others at Woodcocks & we desire that yo' Colony would send such a number of yor Indians as may be convenient to be joyned in the same service whose work shall be constantly to scout abroad between Seaconck and Meadfield & Dedham weh is thought to be a very probable way Either to prevent the enemies coming in upon yor Colony and ours that way, or at least to give speedy notice of their motions and dissapoynt theire mischievous designes. This motion proceeds from some of the cheef of our Indians William Ahaton & Capt. John who are very willing to be imployed and much persuaded, that there may be good therein, or present thoughts are to indeavor and incourage this matter with all speed and in order hereto we have sent our Corporall Swift the bearer hereof to yo'selfe from whome you may understand things more fully & by him acquaint us with yor view of the matter and further advise for the better perfecting of the designe & that we may also know whether you can furnish out any sufficient number of Indians from yor parts & how soone.

O' General Court of Elections is to sit upon Wednesday come seven-

night, & then full order may be taken.

Commending you to the God of Councell & Protection

we remain E. R. S:

past & signed 21 Apr 76

Directed to the Honble Josia Winslow Gov of his maj dy Colony at New Plymouth. (Mass. Arch., Vol. 68, p. 220.)

¹ The name Edmund Rice is in the margin. He was probably one of those of Sudbury killed, and his name was inserted by some one in the margin of Cowell's note. Only the letter a in Baker is present. The paper is badly torn.



Petition of Daniel Warren and Joseph Peirce.

To Inform the Honoured Counsel of the Service don at Sudbury by severall of the Inhabatance of Watertown as our honoured Captain Mason hath Allready informed a part thereof in the petion: but we who wear thear can moer largely inform this honoured Councel: that as it is said in the petion that we drove two hundred Indians over the River: wee followed the enimie over the river and joyned with som others and went to see if wee could relieve Captain Wadsworth upon the hill and thear we had a fight with the Indians but they beinge soe many of them and we stayed soe long that we wear allmost incompassed by them which cased us to retreat to Captain Goodanous Garrison: and their we stayed it being ner night till it was dark and then we went to Mr Noices Mill to see if we could find any that were escaped to that place all though they wear noe persons dwelling there; but thear we found: 13: or: 14: of Captain Wadsworths men who wear escaped some of them wounded and brought them to Sudbury towne;

On the next day in the morning soe soon as it was light we went to looke for - Concord men who wear slain in the River middow and thear we went in the colld water up to the knees where we found five and we brought them in Conus to the Bridge fut and buried them thear; and then we joyned ourselves to Captain Hunton with as many others as we could procuer and went over the River to look for Captain Wadsworth and Captain Brattlebank and the soldiers that wear slain; and we gathered them up and Buried them; and then it was agreed that we should goe up to Nobscot to bring the Carts from thence into Sudbury-Towne and soe returned Hom againe; to what is above written we whos

nams are subscribed can testifi:

DANIEL WARRIN dated the :6: of march :78: :79: JOSEP PEIRCE

Our request is to the much Honoured Counsel that they would be pleased to consider us in reference to our Request; their being 2 troops of hors appointed to bury the dead as we wear informed whos charg was spared and we as yet not allowed for what we did;

Your most Humble Servants to Command to the utmost of our poor S for our selves and in the behalf of the rest JOSEP PEIRCE

Mass. Arch., vol. 68, p. 224.

Of other contemporary accounts of the fight and its consequences there are several from eminently reliable authorities. Treasurer John Hull wrote a letter on April 29, 1676, concerning the sad state of affairs in the colony, giving details of successive casualties, and says: "On ye 21st valiant Captains Wadsworth and Brocklebank win about 50 valiant souldiers were slain by ye Indians."

The letters of the "Anonymous writer," published in London, which have been several times referred to above, give a very concise account, as follows: "April 20th Capt. Wadsworth of Dorchester, being designed with an 100 men to repair to Marlborough to strengthen the garrison, and remove the goods &c. there; did



accordingly this evening march with about 70 men from Sudbury, the rest of his men not appearing. The Enemy who were about 1000 strong lay near his Passage, but kept themselves undiscovered and permitted him to passe them in the night but in the morning assaulted and burned most of the Houses in Sudbury (save those that were ingarrisoned)." The writer goes on to tell that twelve volunteers from Concord came down to lend assistance, and eleven of the number were slain, and that Capt. Wadsworth, with his tired troops that had marched all the day and night before, marched promptly back from Marlborough, being joined by Capt. Brocklebank and a few of the garrison soldiers. making a company of not more than eighty men miserably tired for want of rest and sleep. This company was drawn into ambush and encompassed by many hundred Indians, — our authorities say a thousand or more, - fought them from a hill for four hours with the loss of only five men, till the Indians set fire to the woods at the windward of them, and thus forced them from their strong position, and in their retreat waylaid and destroyed all but a few of the men, who escaped to a mill, where they defended themselves till night, when rescued by Capt. Prentice's troopers, who themselves had just been rescued by Capt. Cowell and his dragoons.

Rev. Increase Mather, of Boston, who published a history of this Indian war at about the same time with Mr. Hubbard, writes—"April 20th, a day of humiliation was observed at Boston. The next day sad tidings came to us. For the enemy set upon Sudbury and burnt a great part of the town; and whereas Capt. Wadsworth and his Lieutenant Sharp, also Capt. Brocklebank (a

godly and choice spirited man) was killed at the time."

Major Daniel Gookin, the commanding officer of Middlesex forces and superintendent of the "Praying Indians" in the colony, writes:

Upon April 21, about midday tidings came by many messengers that a great body of the enemy not less as was judged than fifteen hundred . . . had assaulted a town called Sudbury that morning. . . Indeed (thro' God's favor) some small assistance had already been sent from Watertown by Capt. Hugh Mason, which was the next town to Sudbury. These with some of the inhabitants joined and with some others that came in to their help, there was vigorous resistance made and a check given to the enemy. . . But these particulars were not known when the tidings came to Charlestown.

Major Gookin gives a very full account in his history of the "Praying Indians," his object being to vindicate the Indians from the charges of treachery and inefficiency made against them by popular clamor. His account was necessarily accurate, and it agrees closely with the records. From him, and also from the Archives, we learn that a company of Indians was being organ-



ized at this time, and the letters of the Council show that the design of this company was to fortify the fishing places upon the Merrimac, in conjunction with a company of English, and under command of Capt. Samuel Hunting, of Charlestown. This Indian company, it seems, was at Charlestown when the news of the attack upon Sudbury came, and without waiting for particulars, Major Gookin immediately despatched "a ply of horse" from Capt. Prentice's troop under Corporal Phipps, and forty Indians under Capt. Hunting, which force arrived at Sudbury that evening, the troopers in time to rescue the remnants of Capt. Wadsworth's company from the mill, where they had taken refuge and had defended themselves against the enemy.

All the above accounts are of contemporaries, and all agree in the main particulars and confirm each other in the matter of the date. Rev. Mr. Hubbard, of Ipswich, whose history of this war is most complete, and, in the main, the most reliable, agrees mostly with the others, but seems to have known less of this fight than usual, and less of the details than the others, and in the

matter of the date was unquestionably wrong.

From all the above authorities, the true account in brief, seems to be, that the English had no suspicion of the great numbers of the Indians that were gathering about Marlborough and Sudbury, or of the vicinity of any until early in the morning of the 21st, when several deserted houses were burnt with the evident purpose of drawing out the garrisons into an ambuscade. Then Deacon Haines's garrison-house was attacked with fury by large numbers, but was successfully defended from six o'clock in the morning until one o'clock, P.M., when the assault was abandoned. Twelve volunteers coming from Concord upon the alarm, to aid the garrison, were lured into the river meadow, and all slain save one. Mr. Edward Cowell, with a body of eighteen mounted men, coming from Brookfield by way of Marlborough, and by a different way from that taken by Capt. Wadsworth, became sharply engaged with an outlying party of the enemy, and lost four men killed, one wounded, and had five of his horses disabled.

While the attack upon Cowell's party was still going on, Captain Wadsworth and his company came upon the scene, and seeing a small party of Indians, rushed forward with the usual impetuous haste, and were caught in the usual ambuscade, for when within about a mile of Sudbury they were induced to pursue a body of not more than one hundred, and soon found themselves drawn away about one mile into the woods, where on a sudden they were encompassed by more than five hundred, and forced to a retreating fight towards a hill where they made a brave stand for a while (one authority says four hours), and did heavy execution upon the enemy, until (Mr. Hubbard says) the night coming on and some of the company beginning to scatter



from the rest, their fellows were forced to follow them, and thus being encompassed in the chase by numbers, the Captains and most of the company were slain. The anonymous writer above referred to, says the Indians set fire to the woods and thus forced the disastrous retreat. Thirteen only out of the company escaped to "Noves's mill," and there held the enemy in check. In the meantime Cowell withdrew his party from their dangerous situation, went back and buried their dead comrades, and then rode around into the town by another way in time to rescue Capt. Prentice's troopers, and afterwards, with others in company, the men at the mill. It was probably about noon when Capt. Wadsworth became actively engaged with the Indians, and thus withdrew their attention from both Cowell and Haines's The Watertown company arrived at about the same time, followed the Indians over the river, and made a brave fight to get to the hill, where Capt. Wadsworth was engaged in his desperate struggle, but such fearful odds were against them that they were forced to fall back to Goodnow's garrison, "it being ner night." After dark they went to the "mill," probably with the troopers and Cowell's men, and brought off the soldiers there. The troopers sent from Charlestown, with the Indian company under Capt. Hunting, must have arrived quite late in the afternoon. These are the main facts, in brief, of the Sudbury fight. The next day the Watertown company, with Capt. Hunting's Indians, buried the dead. The site of the battle-field, where Capt. Wadsworth so long held the Indians at bay, is upon what is now called "Green Hill." Here, in 1730, fifty-four years after the battle, Rev. Benjamin Wadsworth, fifth son of Capt. Samuel, and at that time president of Harvard College, erected a monument to the memory of his father, and those that fell with him. It is to be regretted that President Wadsworth accepted the erroneous date given by Mr. Hubbard, which has been perpetuated upon the new monument erected in 1852.

It is a regret that we are unable to know positively the numbers of English engaged. The number with Capt. Wadsworth upon the "Hill" was probably near fifty. The most definite statement

It is a great satisfaction to the present writer to add the new testimony of the petition of the inhabitants of Sudbury.

unabitable of Sudoury.

¹ The investigations of Mr. Drake first exposed the error which Mr. Hubbard made in his history (see New Eng. Hist. AND GENEALOGICAL REGISTER, vol. vii. p. 221). Gov. George S. Boutwell, who delivered the historical discourse at the dedication of the new monument, Nov. 23, 1852, and at that time assigned the date. April Is, reptical in 1805 (see REGISTER, vol. Xx. p. 185) to Mr. Drake's article, and contended that the date given in his discourse was the true one. The Historic Generalogical Society then took the matter in hand, and appointed a committee, Gen. A. B. Underwood and Frederic Kilder, who made a thorough and exhaustive report at the society meeting, October, 1866, which was published in the Register, vol. xx. p. 341, proving beyond question that the date April 21st is the true date of the fight. Contemporary Official Records, the highest the date of the recovery of the took of the highest which has a society and in several books of remarkable events, kept by some prominent most full bards history and in several books of remarkable events, kept by some prominent ment for the contended of the society of the society of the date from Hubbard. John Hull, for instance, and who, in this case, probably adopted the date from Hubbard. John Hull, for instance, and who, in this case, probably adopted the date from Hubbard. John Hull, for least events, and who, in this case, written within a few days, gives the date the 21st, in bile diary of new specific the events and the first of the "Fresent State of New England," and other authorities, agree with the Official Records in giving the 21st. Subsequent historians, until Mr. Drake, simply quote Hubbard's date.



is that of Major Gookin, who puts the number of those slain, besides the two Captains, as "about thirty-two private soldiers." Cowell had eighteen, and the Concord men were twelve. The Watertown company was not probably over forty, while the garrisons of Sudbury amounted to but eighty. Thus about two hundred men were actively engaged with, and holding in play, probably more than a thousand Indians one whole day, and finally defeated their intention of capturing the town, sending them away with fearful loss.

Unfortunately we are not as yet able to find any list of the names of those killed on that day, and Mr. Hull's accounts do not show any credits referable to that service; only here and there are we able to glean from probate and town and church

records, a few names of those killed.

From the Roxbury Records we find that

Samuel Gardner, son of Peter Thomas Baker John Roberts Nathaniel Sever Thomas Hawley St

William Cleaves Joseph Pepper > John Sharpe Thomas Hopkins Lieut Samuel Gardner were all slain att Sudbury under command of Capt. Sam" Wads-

Of the Concord men killed in the meadow near "Haynes's Garrison," but five bodies were recovered, and but seven names of the killed are preserved in the records:

James Hosmer Daniel Comy William Heywood

worth upon 21 Aprill 1676.

Samuel Potter Joseph Buttrick

John Barnes Josiah Wheeler

Three of Cowell's men, that were killed, are in the Roxbury list above. The fourth was Robert Wayles, of Dorchester. The Suffolk Probate Records give an additional name, Eliazer Hawes, of Dorchester. These, with Capts. Wadsworth and Brocklebank, make in all but twenty-one.



XVII.

CAPT. WILLIAM TURNER AND HIS MEN, AND THE "FALLS FIGHT."

WILLIAM TURNER came from Dartmouth in South Devonshire to Dorchester, Massachusetts; admitted to the church in 1642; freeman May 10th, 1643. Is in list of owners of certain pasture lands there in 1646. Was chosen bailiff of the town in 1661; signed a petition of the inhabitants of Dorchester in 1664. He probably moved to Boston in the latter part of 1664, as he was one of the original members of the First Baptist Church gathered in Boston May 28th, 1665.

The earlier members of this church, with Capt. Turner, were, Thomas Gould, elder and preacher, Thomas Osborne and his wife Mary, Edward Drinker, John George, Robert Lambert, Richard Goodall and Mary his wife, Mary Newell, John Farnham, Isaac Hull, Jacob Barney, John Russell, Jr., John Johnson, George

Farlow, Seth Sweetsir, Benjamin Sweetsir and his wife.

During the next few years the pressure of religious intolerance began to be exercised against the Baptists, and the General Court took action against the leaders, as "turbulent Anabaptists," disfranchised such as were freemen, and expelled Gould, Turner and Farnham from the colony, on pain of imprisonment, charging that they had "combined themselves with others in a pretended church estate, without the knowledge or approbation of the authority here established, to the great grief and offence of the godly orthodox," etc. The men, failing to leave the colony, were duly imprisoned. A petition for release, from these three, to the Court, dated Oct. 14, 1668, states that it is the twelfth week of their imprisonment. Popular feeling, the majority of the deputies, and influential friends of the colonies in England. favored the Baptists, but the magistrates were inflexible, and when a great number of influential citizens signed a popular petition in their behalf, the Council summoned many to appear and answer for "contempt of authority," in signing the petition. I think the prisoners were liberated during the winter, probably on condition of "good behavior." Capt. Turner was imprisoned again, evidently under the old sentence, and it is likely for breaking the conditions of his release. Several complaints were



brought up against him, the chief of which seems to have been, in this last case, that he would not present his child at church for baptism. The following letter gives some idea of the man and his condition:

Letter of William Turner to the General Court.

To the honored General Court now sitting at boston the humble address of Will: Turner now prisoner at boston humbly sheweth

That whereas it hath pleased some of the honored maistrates to issue out A warrant for the apprehending of my body and Committing mee to prison, and there to remayne according to A sentence of A general Court the 29th of April 1668 your poore prisoner doth therefore humbly beseech you to consider that by vertue of that sentence I have already suffered Above thirty weekes imprisonment and that A whole winter season which was a greate prejudice to my health and distraction to my poore family & which I hope this honored [Court] will consider with the weaknes of my body and the extremity of lying in prison in A cold winter whitch may be to the utter ruine of my headles family: And withal to consider my readines to serve this Country to the uttermost of my ability in all civil things: The maine difference being only in faith and order of which God only can satisfie A poore soul: Thus hoping this honored Court will take it unto their serious Consideration and extend their mercy as becomes the servants of Christ I shal leave both my state and condition and honored Court to the wise disposing of the Almighty, remaining yours to serve you in all faithfulness to my WILL: TURNER. power.

boston prison this 27 of 8th mo: 1670 Mass. Archives, vol. x. p. 228.

The deputies submitted this to the magistrates, who were

unyielding.

It is not known whether any action resulted from this letter, but at a Court held at Boston, March 2d, 1669, a petition was presented from Gould and Turner, then in prison, for release, and they were allowed "three days" to visit their families, and then to be returned to prison. Soon after this many and very earnest letters were received from prominent orthodox ministers in England, deprecating these rigorous measures of the magistrates, as against the scriptures and directly prejudicial to the interests of the church in America, and to dissenting churches everywhere. The prisoners were probably released some time in the summer of 1669, and soon after Mr. Gould took up his residence permanently at "Noddle's Island," and there the Baptists thereafter held their meetings. On November 30th, 1670, Mr. Edward Drinker, in a letter to Mr. Clarke and his church at Newport, "At this present our dear brother William Turner, prisoner for the Lord's cause in Boston has some good experience; both he and brother Gould were to be taken up but only brother Turner is yet taken and has been about a month in prison."



Gould was not yet taken because the magistrates waited to take him in Boston, "and he came not over." He speaks bitterly of Gov. Bellingham and the magistrates, but in terms of gratitude of Messrs. Oxenbridge and Allen of the First Church in Boston, for their earnest endeavors to help the Baptists in their troubles, and says that all the deputies voted to release the prisoners, but that the magistrates "carry all before them." He says in the closing part of his letter, "Brother Turner's family is very weakly and himself too. I fear he will not trouble them long: only this is our comfort, we hear if he dies in prison, they say they will bury him," etc. The reply to this letter was addressed "Unto the Church of Jesus Christ, meeting on Noddle's Island in New England." In December, 1671, Benjamin Sweetser, of Charlestown, writes to Newport that "brother Turner has been near to death but through mercy is revived, and so is our pastor Gould." The letter indicates that they are now at liberty, but that the persecution is being stirred up again, etc.

Upon the death of Gov. Bellingham, December 7, 1672, active hostilities ceased, and the election of John Leverett as governor in May, 1673, secured them from public persecution so long as

he remained in office.

This digression may be justified by Capt. Turner's connection with it, and by its evidence of the relations of magistrates, deputies and people in the times just preceding the Indian war. Capt. Turner was a tailor by trade, and he plied that vocation in Boston during these years, 1664-775.

Mr. Backus, in the first volume of his history of the Baptists, page 335, has a note, of which he says: "The copy of Mr. Russell's Narrative that I am favored with came out of his (i.e. Mr. Callender's) family, and in it is a manuscript note in the margin, against Mr. Russell's account of Mr. Turner, which says:"

In the beginning of the war, William Turner gathered a company of volunteers, but was denied a commission and discouraged, because the chief of the company were Anabaptists. Afterwards, when the war grew more general and destructive, and the country in very great distress, having divers towns burnt, and many men slain, then he was desired to accept a commission. He complained it was too late, his men on whom he could confide being scattered; however, was moved to accept.

I have found no official record or notice of the organization of Capt. Turner's company, but below are his own official lists, the first taken at Medfield on February 22d (the next day after the partial destruction of that town), and he reports this list of the company, "as they came out of Boston." showing February 21st as the most probable date of his marching. It is evident that his men were not all volunteers, as many were "cleared" upon their



arrival at Marlborough, and some were on the list of "impressed"

From Medfield his company marched to Marlborough, whither all the English troops were now ordered for the organization of the army about to take the field. The lists of the company are below and explain themselves, and also show that the army marched from Marlborough, February 29th, to Quabaog (Brookfield), and thence, on March 4th. The movements of the army under Major Savage are related above. Capt. Turner received at Marlborough, from the companies of Capts. Wadsworth and Reynolds, thirty-five men, giving him about eighty in his company. March 4th, Capt. Turner marched from Quabaog with a company of seventy men, as he left ten men at that garrison on that day.

It will be remembered that on the retreat of the Narragansets in January, many of them were scattered among the Nipmucks in various places, and two large bodies of these, mingled with local tribes, were gathered, one at Meminimisset (the chief town and stronghold of the Nipmucks) and another near "Wachuset Hill." At Quabaog the army was reinforced by the Connecticut companies under Major Treat, and, after several days spent in vain search for the Indians, at last struck the trail of a large body of the enemy, but too late to prevent their escape beyond the Paquayag River, to which our cavalry pursued them. Thus the army was led to pass by undisturbed, and leave behind it a great body of the enemy at Wachuset. This was contrary to their purpose and against the urgent advice of their friendly Indian scouts, but it seemed best to their commanders (after they had been led so far from Quabaog, and with such large numbers of the Indians driven before them, who might form a junction with the western Indians and fall upon the valley plantations at once) to march forward to the towns upon the River, where they arrived on March 8th. Major Savage found that there were indications of large numbers of Indians in the vicinity, and immediately disposed his forces for the defence of the several towns. Capt. Turner was sent across the river to Northampton for the defence of that town. The inhabitants had placed "palisadoes" about their village "for their better security," and two companies of Connecticut men under Major Treat joined Capt. Turner's company probably on the 13th, as the Indians were amazed to find the town full of English soldiers, when, early in the morning of March 14th, they made a vigorous and combined assault. Gathering about the town in the darkness undiscovered, and breaking through the palisades in three places, they crept in and close about the houses; and there seem to have been no guards or night-watch, and the first intimation of the enemies' presence was their furious attack upon several houses. They succeeded in setting fire to ten before the sleeping garrison could be roused;



but when the Indians realized their situation, and found themselves confronted with three strong companies instead of a defenceless hamlet, they turned and rushed headlong to the breaches they had made in the palisades, panie-stricken to find themselves in a trap, and in their frantic crowding to get out were confronted with the troops, and many were shot down by ours, at the gaps, inside. Eleven of their dead were left. Five of the English known to have been killed were Robert Bartlett, Thomas Holton, and Mary Earle of Northampton, James McRenell (or Macranell) and Increas Whetstone of Capt. Turner's company. The following extract from a letter of Rev. John Russell, of Hadley, is of interest here. It is dated at Hadley, March 16th, 1675-6:

Although the Lord hath granted us an intervall of quiet this winter vet since ve coming on of ve Spring the warr here is renewed with more strength and violence here than in any other part while we remaine for as we had intellegence by the captain who is returned (commonly called "Speckled Tom"), Philip intended with his whole power to come upon these Towns and taking them to make his planting place a fort this year at Deerfield so on ye 14th instant the enemy to the number of a 1000^d as judged made a sudden and violent iruption upon Northampton brake through their works in three places & had in reason taken the whole Town had not Providence so ordered it yt Majr Treate was come in with his men within ye night ye same evening yet they burned five houses and five barns, one within the fortification, slew five persons wounded five. There are sd to be found about a dozen of the enemy slain. Here allso above Deerfield a few miles is the great place of their fishing weh must be expected to afford them their provisions for the yere, So that the swarme of them being here and like to continue here we must look to feele their utmost rage except the Lord be pleased to breake their power. My desire is we may be willing to do or suffer live or dy; remaine in or be driven out from or habitations as the Lord or God would have us and as may be Conducible to ye glory of his name and ve publike weale of his people, etc. etc.

The Indians, meeting this unexpected repulse at Northampton, hastened away for an assault upon Hatfield, but finding it also defended by Capt. Mosely and his men, they hastily withdrew and again attempted to surprise Northampton, hoping, it is likely, that the vigilance of the English was relaxed, or a part of the troops were drawn off. but finding a ready reception awaiting, they retired completely foiled of what was expected to be an easy prey. With the exception of an attack upon Westfield a short time after, the killing of Moses Cook and Clement Bates, and the assault of a small party upon the people of Longmeadow going to Springfield to attend church, there was no further demonstration in force while the army remained. In the mean time these disasters and their extreme want of food began to cause disaffection



among the local tribes who had no immediate quarrel against the English, and to this was added the discouraging fact of the capture and death of Canonchet, chief of the Narragansets, and the real leader, now, of the confederated tribes. The English took advantage of this discouragement and opened negotiations looking to a peace, while a price was offered for the head of Philip,

who promptly retired out of harm's way.

Capt. Turner and his company were engaged at Northampton and the neighboring towns in guarding and fortifying against the expected attack of the great body of Indians gathered in the vicinity, our troops as well as those of Connecticut being under the general command of Major Savage, for an account of whose operations and the condition of affairs at this time, see Chap. IV. of this volume, a very interesting letter of the Council to Mr. Savage, dated April 1st. In accordance with these instructions Major Savage marched home with most of the soldiers that came with him, leaving Capt. Turner in charge of the defence of these towns in Captain Poole's place, and leaving him one hundred and fifty-one men in regular service. These were mostly single men, and very largely boys and servants, or apprentices.

These troops were designed for the defence of the towns, and were for garrison duty only. Hadley was made headquarters, and a garrison of fifty-one men was detailed there. Forty-five were stationed at Hatfield, nine were sent to Springfield, and forty-six at Northampton. The following petition and letter

explain themselves:

Petition of Mrs. Mary Turner.

To the Honoured Gouvernour and Councill Now Assembled in Boston.

The Humble petition of Mary Turner wife to W^m Turner now in the
Service of the Country Under Comand of your Honours, Humbly

Sheweth,

That whereas your poor petitioners husband Voluntarily & frely offered him selfe unto & now Is In your Service far from home together with his son & servants leaving onely one servant with me which God by his Providence hath bereaved me off soe that I Am at present wholy Almost left destitute of maintenance for myselfe which calls uppon me to crave of your honours Consideration of my present Condition And order the payment to me of the whole or whatt part your honours think fitt of wages due for the time my husband son & servants have bene In the Service of the Country which shall further Ingage your poor petitioner to pray for As In duty Am Bound: the future peace & prosperity of your honours & All the people of God In this poor Country.

MARY TURNER.

In Ans' to the petion, It is ordered that the Committee of the Army forthwith order the petitioner be payd Seven pounds on ye Account

exprest therein.

Dated at Boston the 24th of Aprill 1676

By ye Council Edwd Rawson, Seety.

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 225.



Letter of Capt. William Turner.

Honored Sirs.

Since the army marcht hence under the Command of major general Savage and left mee here by order from your honours: I have not had any thing worth sending downe A post: And now having an opportunity I thought meete to acquaint your honours that the souldiers here are in greate distresse for want of clothing both Linen and Woollen: So I desired the Commissaries here to send down to quabouge to see if there any supplies: So they brought from thence A few Shirts Stockings Shoes and drawers: but not an eighth of what wee want: So that I shall beseech your honours to take some speedy Course for a supply to be sent to the Commissaries here for thei[r] [rele]eafe: here will want much as the enclosed note will show you: ----, forasmuch as it hath pleased your honours to commit the care of [these] townes to my charge: So I shall be seech your honours that my [wi]fe may have my wages due to mee for to supply the wants of my family: for whome I am bound by the lawes of god and nature to make provision: And I should be glad if there might be some fitter person found for this imployment: for I much doubt my weaknes of body and my often infirmities will hardly Sufer mee to doe my duty as I ought in this imployment: And it would grieve me to be negligent in anything that might be for the good of this year country in this day of their distress: Therefore shal leave it to your honours Consideration: whether some other man may not be fitter to be imployed in this place by reason of my weaknes of body: I have here sent you those Lists of my Company as they came from boston and afterwards from marlborough as they Continued to the seventh instant: also an account from the Commissary of northamton to that day: I have also sent A List of those Left the 7th instant under my Command in these 3 townes: most of them having beene here long before my time: Thus hoping your honours will Consider so as to send some speedy supply for the souldiers here and also order something for the supply of my family in my absence: I shall beg the Lord to be your Counsellour and guide in this time of distracktion and sore trouble: And remaine yours to serve your honours to the uttmost of my power wherein I may.

WILL: TURNER.

I beseech your honours deliver these lists to whome they may concerne: And command the souldiers to make hast backe to their quarters:

Your honours since ye close of this there is come in a young man taken from Springfield at the beginning of last month who informes that the enemy is drawing up all their forces towards these townes: and their head quarters to be at (Deere) field alias pegunkugg.

Dated 25 April, 1676.

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 228.

Following are the lists referred to in the letter. The first shows the organization of his company until April 7th; the second list shows the disposal of his force for the defence of the towns up to April 25th.



A List of Capt. William Turner's men as they came from Boston and taken at Medfield 1675-6.

William Turner, Capt.
Edward Drinker, Lieut.
William Parsons, Sergeants.
Ezekiel Gilman, Phellip Squire,
Thomas Elliot,
Thomas Barnard,
James Knott,

James Verin Jonathan Orris Matthias Smith Wm Turner jr. Thomas Chard Samuel Gallon Barthol. Whittwell Ephraim Roper Henry Dawson Samuel Davies Samuel Judkins Jon Sawdy Richard Cheevers Mark Wood Richard Knight Josiah Man Robert Miller Joseph Preist Elias Tyffe Jon Cunneball Peaceful Clarke Robert Seares Richard Staines Henery Kerby Sam^{ll} Rawlins Joseph Gallop Edward Wright Samuel Brisantine Jon Roberts Phellip Jessop Isaiah Toy Hoo: Steward Thomas Skinner, Clerk Roger Jones James Burges

John Newton, cleared by the Councill at Medfield.

Nathan Addams, sick at Medfield.

Robert Briant, wounded at Dedham.

A List of them Cleared at Marlborough.

Jon Carthew Samuell Holmes Henry Timberleggs, Ensigne Thomas Bendy James Parker William Wade Jon Smith ffearnott Shaw Will^m Robbins Clement Hamblinge Joseph Dindy James Travis Jacob Hanson Amos Henerie Wright Jon Brackenbery Jon Jay Nathaniel Badcock

This is a true List of such as came out of Boston wth me as witnesse my hand ffeb. the 22^d 1675-6. Will: Turner.

Another list follows upon the same paper and is headed, "A List of men as they came from Marlborough ffeb: 29, '75–6." This list is identical with the one above except that Edward Crick (Creek) is Ensign in place of Henry Timberleggs (Timberlake) cleared as above.

In the same paper also the following:

Rec^d these men whose names follow, from Captaine Wadsworth & fro'.

Capt. Reynolds.

Phillip Mattoone, for whome I tooke in exchange John Thropp at Hampton.

Jon Newman made Corporall 17 March 75-6.



John Sympole Jon Chapple Henery Beresford James Burnell Jon Walker Joseph Lamson Joseph Bickner William Clow William Twing Joseph Lyon Richard Francis William Hartford

Solomon Lowd William Bosway John Glide Josiah Lane James Hewes Jonath: Dunninge William Jaques William Manley George Ripley Phill: Sandy Diggory Sargent

Jon Broughton Jon Rolestone William Jemmison Edward Samson John Avis Joseph Griffin Henery Smith Sam^{ll} Phesy (Vesey) Joseph Bateman James Machrenell kild at Hampton March 14th

These were left at Quabaug the 4th of March 1675-6.

Henery Pellington David Crouter John Gromwell Richard Sutton

Tho: Brisanton Thomas Staev Charles Duckworth Thomas Chapman Augustine John James Callen

William Torner

Souldjers sent to the

Mill.

The Rest continued under my Command till ye 7th of Aprill att which time 4 were left in Hadly by order of ye Councell and part of the Companie marched under the conduct off Lieut. Drinker with Maj. Savage, some by order staying with me. WILL: TURNER.

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 158.

A Liste off Souldjers und the Command off Capt. Will Turner ffro. the 7th of Aprill 1676

Jon Chamberlin

Hadley Souldjers: Capt. William Turner Sergt John Throppe Sergt John Newman Corp!Joseph HartshorneWill^m Chubb Corpl Robert Sympson Moses Morgan Wm Armes John Strowbridge Sam^{ll} Sybly Thomas Jones Robert Coates David Hartshorne Benj. Poole John Uppum Simon Grover Stephen Grover John Pratt Thomas Briant Triall Newbury Josuah Phillips Benjamin Chamb'lin John Rolestone John Longbury

John ffoster

John Wattson

Joo Luddon John Presson Jon Bill Roger Jones Jon Wiseman Phillip Jessop Joseph Griffin Josiah Man Thomas Chard John Sheapheard Ephraim Roper Nicholas Duerell Phellep Cattlin Joseph Chamb'lin Richard Snodin Joseph Smith Joseph Bodman William Hunt

Robert Seares Saml Rawlins John Sawdy Jonathan Dunninge Samuell Davies John ffisher Thomas Cobbett Thomas Sympkins Richard Lever Hampton Souldiers Sergt Esaiah Tov Corpl John Wilde John Smith John Babson John Whiterage John Chapple, Drummer John Ashdowne John Cooke Samul Tyly John Hix James Barrell John Salter William Hartforde Jeremiah Cloather



John Chaplin John Belcher John Stukely John Boyde John Walker John Roberts Martin Smith Abraham Shaw Thomas Roberts Richard Hudson Samuel Ransford Joseph ffowler Solomon Lowde William Jaques Jacob Burton William Smith Nicholas Mason Phellip Mattoon Samuel Soutch Thomas Lyon Robert Price Thomas Poore Peter Bushrodd Samuel Phesy William Willis Thomas Harris George Bewly William Howard Phellip Lewes Will^m Hopkins

Ephraim Beeres Richard Bever John ffiske, left wounded Daniel Clow

Hattfielde Souldjers Sergt Robert Bardwell Corp! Samuell Laine Benjamin Barrett Hugh Goliko Anthony Baker Jon Largin Richard Staines Nicholas Grav Jon Allen Richard Smith William Elliott Jon Wilkins John Jones Thomas Staines Gilbert fforsith Benjamin Lathroppe Robert Dawes Hugh Pike Daniel Stearlin John Verin Jonathan Nichols James Verin John Downinge Joseph Moring

John Arnold Simon Williams by Capt. Lathroppe Edward Bishoppe Henry Raynor Samuell Neale Jeffery Jeffers Hugh Price Archebold fforest Jabesh Duncan John Hughes William Batt Wallter Hixon Jabesh Musgrove Matthew Groves Anthony Ravenscraft James Molt.

> Sent to Springfield Sergt Roger Prosser Ely Crow Will^m Briggs Jeremiah Norcrosse Will^m Mitchell Timothy ffroglie Onesephorus Stanly William Crane Henery Willis

Richard ffrancis, Clerk.

Mass. Archives, Vol. 68, p. 212.

The last list shows the organization of Capt. Turner's force until

THE "FALLS FIGHT," MAY 19, 1676.

The disposal of Capt. Turner's forces, from April 7th up to the 25th, is indicated in the above letter. In the closing clause it will be noticed that he speaks of the news which a young man brings in just before he sends the letter away. This was probably John Gilbert, who with Edward Stebbins had been taken captive at Springfield about a month before and carried up the river by the Indians, where Mrs. Rowlandson, in her narrative, speaks of meeting him. Capt. Turner makes note of his information to the effect that the Indians are gathering in great numbers about these towns. Mr. Hubbard, on the other hand, speaks of two "English lads," who give information of the unguarded state of the Indians, referring doubtless to Gilbert and Stebbins above mentioned, but confusing with theirs the testimony of another captive named Thomas Reed, who escaped and came in some weeks later. Some idea of the state of feeling



among the English inhabitant's and soldiers may be gained from this letter of some of the chief actors at the front.

Letter of Rev. John Russell, Capt. Turner and others to the General Court:

Hadly Apr 29, 1676

Right Worp'f11

This morning we received from Hartford these inclosed web were desired to post away; and have accordingly effected with all speed. Its matter of thankfulnesse and incouragement to hear that the Lord is in any place going forth with of armies; and delivering of enemies into of hands.

We hope if o' sins hinder not it is a pledge of future & greater m'rey. It is strange to see how much spirit (more than formerly) appears in our men to be out against the enemy. A great part of the inhabitants here would our committees of militia but permitt; would be going forth: They are daily moving for it and would fain have liberty to be going forth this night. The enemy is now come so near us, that we count we might go forth in the evening, and come upon them in the We understand from Hartford some darkness of the same night. inclination to allow some volunteers to come from them up hither, should that be I doubt not but many of or would joyne wth them. It is the generall voyce of the people here y' now is the time to distresse the enemy; and that could we drive them from their fishing and keep out though but lesser parties against them famine would subdue them. All intelligence give us cause to hope that the Mohawks do still retain their old friendship for us and enmity against our enemies. Some proofe of it they have of late in those they slew higher up this River. Two of whom as the Indian messengers relate were of or known Indians; and one a Quabaog Indian. And further proof its thought they would soon give; were the obstructions (yt some English have or may putt in their way) removed and the remembrance of the ancient amity and good terms between them and these colonies renewed by some letters & if it might be by some English messengers. We would not tho. out so good an end as love and zeale for the weal publique, that we should be transported beyond or line. We crave pardon for or reaching so farr, and with many prayers do desire to be seech the father of mercies and God of all counsell to direct you in the right way: & so praying we remaine

Sr Your Worships most Humble & devoted Serv'ts

JOHN RUSSELL
WILL: TURNER
DAVID WILTON
SAMUEL SMITH
JOHN KING
DANIEL WARNER

From a diligent study of all available authorities, from all accessible sources, supplemented by many new hints and evidences afforded by documents preserved in the State Archives and elsewhere, I think the following is a fairly accurate account



of the campaign of Capt. Turner in May, 1676, closing with the

Falls Fight on the 18th.

After the withdrawal of the army under Major Sayage, the Indians seem to have relaxed much of their vigilance, watching mainly for opportunities for plunder wherever the English became careless and exposed themselves or cattle to the chance of capture. In the mean time the situation of the Indians was becoming desperate. The Narragansets with their allies and many of the Wampanoags had been forced in an almost destitute condition upon the Nipmuck and Pocomtuck tribes for support. These unwonted numbers soon exhausted the never abundant resources of the local tribes, and when Philip's promises of a speedy victory over all the river towns with plunder of their goods were not realized, when the great chieftain Canonchet was taken and slain, and having met the repulses at Northampton and Hatfield, they were reduced almost to starvation, these river and northern Indians began to realize the folly of their too ready alliance with Philip, and put themselves into communication with the authorities at Connecticut, either with a view to real peace, or for the purpose of gaining time by a pretence of peaceful negotiations; at any rate the English entered into the negotiations with great zeal, and sought to turn the home tribes against Philip and the Narragansets. A price was set upon Philip's head, whereupon that chieftain betook himself with his faithful followers to safer solitudes up the river; and now, pending these negotiations, the Indians gathered to the fishing places upon the river in large numbers, hoping here to supply their wants and secure a stock of provisions till they could accomplish the destruction of the towns and secure the corn and cattle of the English. Knowing that the garrisons were small, and feeling secure from attack both by numbers and distance, they grew careless in sending scouts or placing guards. They had no suspicion of the growing resolution of the English to take the offensive, nor any information of their preparations. A large body of the Indians were gathered near the "Upper Falls" of the Connecticut, divided into several parties, one of which was located on the high ground on the right bank at the head of the Fall, another on the opposite bank, and a third at what is known now as "Smead's Island," about a mile below, and all were intent upon their fishing. Hearing, however, that the English had turned some of their cattle out into Hatfield meadows, a detachment was sent out upon May 12th, and succeeded in "stampeding" about seventy head of these cattle, and driving them safely into the woods. This fresh outrage was carried out with impunity, and so enraged the English that they urged to be led out against their enemies at once, and when Reed, above mentioned, came in on May 15th, and disclosed the carelessness of the Indians, it was resolved to wait no longer, but to gather the



forces and strike a blow, and on that day Rev. John Russell writes a letter to the Council at Connecticut, informing them of their situation and giving general news. He speaks of their "visitation" by the epidemic distemper or malignant cold which had prevailed at Connecticut (and of which Mr. Mather wrote that he could not hear of a family in New England that wholly escaped); of the peaceful election at Boston on May 3d, and the return of Mrs. Rowlandson from captivity on that day, and letters from Philip, the "Old Queen" and other sachems, proposing terms of peace. He gives the news from Europe, the sufferings of non-conformists, and of a great naval battle between the French and Dutch. Only an extract is here given, being the closing part which relates to the Indian war. The letter is dated Hadley, May 15th. The postscript is by the military officers.

This morning about sunrise came into Hatfield one Thomas Reede a soldier who was taken captive when Deacon Goodman was slain. He relates that they are now planting at Deerfield and have been so these three or four days or more, saith further that they dwell at the Falls on both sides the river, are a considerable number, yet most of them old men and women. He cannot judge that there are on both sides of the river above 60 or 70 fighting-men. They are secure and scornful, boasting of great things they have done and will do. There is Thomas Eames his daughter and child hardly used; one or two belonging to Medfield and I think two children belonging to Lancaster. The night before last they came down to Hatfield upper meadow, and have driven away many horses and cattle to the number of fourscore and upwards as they judge. Many of these this man saw in Deerfield meadow, and found the bars put up to keep them in. This being the state of things, we think the Lord calls us to make some trial what may be done against them suddenly without further delay; and therefore the concurring resolution of men here seems to be to go out against them tomorrow night, so as to be with them, the Lord assisting, before break of day. We need guidance and help from heaven. We humbly beg your prayers, advice and help if it may be. And therewith committing you to the guidance and blessing of the most High, Remain Your Worship's in all humble service.

JOHN RUSSELL.

Although this man speaks of their number as he judgeth yet they may be many more, for we perceive their number varies, and they are going and coming, so that there is no trust to his guess.

WILLIAM TURNER, JOHN LYMAN, ISAAC GRAVES.

Preparations had been completed for several days, and the men, gathered from the inhabitants and soldiers of the several towns and garrisons, were appointed to meet at Hatfield at the summons of the commander. Day after day passed, while they waited impatiently the company which Connecticut authorities had



ordered to march to their assistance. These, delayed in turn by the failure of the Sachems to appear at a promised meeting, and fearing to make any hostile movement while English captives were held by the Indians, did not move, and so on May 18th Capt. Turner gathered all his available force at Hatfield, numbering upwards of one hundred and fifty rank and file. Of the garrison soldiers I think only volunteers were taken in this expedition, as it would not be safe to weaken the garrison by withdrawing a large number of the men away from the defence of the towns, which was their proper service. A comparison of the lists below will show that a very small number of eastern soldiers are among the claimants, though the list of killed has many names not represented there. A very large part of Capt. Turner's original company had marched home to Boston on April 7th, leaving him with a company of single men, boys and servants, selected from Major Savage's forces, for garrison duty. Of this expedition the officers were William Turner, Captain; Samuel Holyoke, Lieut.; Isaiah Toy (or Tay) and John Lyman, Ensigns; Rev. Hope Atherton, Chaplain; John Dickinson and Joseph Kellogg, Sergeants;

Experience Hinsdell and Benjamin Wait were guides.

This company of volunteers, thus officered, and more than one half inhabitants of the several river towns, mounted upon their own horses, and armed as each might be able, or from the garrisons, took up the line of march in the evening of May 18th, from Hatfield towards the Falls, twenty miles away, through the woods. Taking their way northward through Hatfield meadows and on by the road where both Lathrop and Beers had met disaster and death, past the ruins of Deerfield, they crossed the river at the northerly part of the meadow (a late high authority says "at the mouth of Sheldon's brook"), and thus eluded the Indian outpost stationed at a place "now called Cheapside," to guard the usual place of crossing. These Indians, it is said, overheard the crossing of the troops and turned out with torches, and examined the usual ford, but finding no traces there and hearing no further disturbance, concluded that the noise was made by moose, crossing, and so went back to their sleep. A heavy thunder shower during the night greatly aided the secrecy of the march, while it drove the Indians to their wigwams and prevented any suspicion of an attack. This danger safely passed, the troops rode forward through Greenfield meadow, and, crossing Green river "at the mouth of Ash-swamp brook to the eastward, skirting the great swamp" (says Mr. Sheldon), they at length, about daybreak, reached the high land just south of Mount Adams, where the men dismounted, and leaving the horses under a small guard, pushed on through Fall river and up a steep hill, and halted and silently awaited daylight upon the slope (now on the farm of Mr. Stoughton, it is said), above the sleeping Indian camp. Here all was wrapped in profound sleep. It is said a



great feast had been celebrated the night before by the Indians, at which they had gorged themselves with fresh salmon from the river, and beef and new milk from the Hatfield cattle. Not a guard had been set, and no precaution had been made, so secure were they and unsuspicious of an English raid. And now with advancing daylight the sturdy settlers gather silently down and about their unconscious foes, to whom the first warning of danger was the crashing of a hundred muskets, dealing death in at their wigwam doors. Many were killed at the first fire, and scarcely a show of resistance was made. The savages who escaped the first fire were terrified at the thought that their old enemy was upon them, and fled towards the river, yelling "Mohawks! Mohawks!" and wildly threw themselves into the canoes along the banks, but many of these, overcrowding the canoes, were thrown into the river and carried over the falls to certain death; others were shot in attempting to reach the other side; others were chased to the shelving rocks along the banks and there shot down. It is said that Capt. Holyoke there despatched five with his own hand. Very few of the Indians escaped, and their loss was computed by contemporary writers at three hundred. One only of the English was killed, and he by mistake, by one of his comrades, and another was wounded in this attack. The soldiers burned all the wigwams and their contents, captured the tools of the Indian blacksmiths who had set up two forges for mending arms, and threw "two great Piggs of lead (intended for making bullets) into the river." But while this was being accomplished, the several larger bodies of Indians upon the river above and below rallied, and from various quarters gathered in and about the English. A small party as decoys showed themselves crossing the river above, and succeeded in drawing a portion of our force away from the main body only to meet a large force and to regain the command with difficulty. Capt. Turner, enfeebled as he was by his disease, collected and drew off his troops towards the horses, where the guards were about this time attacked by the enemy, who hastily withdrew at the coming of the main body. Mounting their horses, the English began the march for Hatfield. The Indians in increasing numbers gathered upon flank and rear. Capt. Turner led the van, though so weak from long sickness as scarcely able to manage his horse. The intrepid Capt. Holyoke commanded the rear guard, but in effect conducted the retreat. The Indians advanced upon the left and rear, and several sharp skirmishes ensued while they tried to separate the rear guard from the main. Once Capt. Holyoke's horse was shot down, and he narrowly escaped capture by the Indians, who rushed forward to seize him, by shooting down the foremost with his pistols, till his men came to his aid. On the left of the line of march, nearly all the way to Green river, was a swamp in which the Indians found safe cover. A rumor was started (by an escaped captive,



it is said) that Philip with a thousand warriors was at hand, and a panic ensued. The guides differed as to the course, and some following one and some another, disorder prevailed, and the command was broken up. Two parties leaving the main body were cut off and lost. Capt. Turner pushed forward with the advance as far as Green river, and was shot by the Indians while crossing the stream, near the mouth of the brook upon which afterwards stood "Nash's" Mill. His body was found near the place by a

scouting party a short time afterwards.

The whole command now devolved upon Capt. Holyoke, who led his shattered force, fighting every rod of the way, to the south side of Deerfield meadow to the place known as the "Bars." That the retreat did not end in a general massacre is doubtless due to the skill and bravery of Capt. Holyoke in keeping the main body together, and in protecting flank and rear while pushing forward to avoid the chance of ambuscades. As it was, they found, on arriving at Hatfield, that some forty-five or more of their men were missing. Rev. Mr. Russell's letter of May 22d gives some account of the losses, and says that six of the missing have come in, reducing the number of the lost to thirty-eight or thirty-nine. Of the Indian losses he gives the report of Sergt. Bardwell that he counted upwards of one hundred in and about the wigwams and along the river banks, and the testimony of William Drew and others that they counted some "six-score and ten." "Hence we cannot but judge that there were above 200 of them slain."

Of the slain of our soldiers the following list is taken from the best available authorities. The battle and the leader are perpetuated in the name "Turner's Falls," applied to the scene of the

fight.

Capt. William Turner, Boston. Sergt John Dickinson, Hatfield. William Allis. 66 John Colfax, Samuel Gillet, Experience Hinsdell, Hadley. John Church, Samuel Crow, Thomas Elgar, Isaac Harrison, John Taylor, Hadley. Edward Hodgman, Springfield. George Hewes, Joseph Pike, -James Bennet, Northampton. John Miller, John Walker,

Jabez Duncan, Worcester.

John Ashdowne, Weymouth.

John Hadlock, Roxbury. Samuel Veze, Braintree. Josiah Mann, Boston. John Whitteridge, Salem. George Buckley. Jacob Burton. John Foster. Joseph Fowler. Peter Gerin. John Langbury. Thomas Lyon. Samuel Rainsford. Thomas Roberts. George Ruggles. John Symms. John Watson. William Howard.

Nathaniel Sutliff, Deerfield.

The residence of the last thirteen not known.



The two servants mentioned in the following petition were doubtless apprentices whose service was needed by widow Turner about the Captain's business, now left to her management. Buckman (or Bucknam) may have been of Charlestown, son of William. His name appears in a later ledger of John Hull, and John Sawdy was probably son of John of Boston.

To the Honourable Gouvener And Councill Now Assembled In Boston.

The Humble petition of Mary Turnor

Humbly showeth that whereas your poor petitioner hath lost her husband in the Services of the Country Ingaging Against the Barbarious & Cruell Heathen the Enemy thereof And having now still two servants named John Sawdy And Samuell Buckman who went out with him in the Country's service att hadley my widowhood estate & Condition for want of Convenient supply of maintenances makes me Bold to suplicate your honours for An order for theire Releas & discharge from the place to which att present they do belong & that your honours will so far Consider my Condition as to order me pay for whatt Is In your honours Judgment my Just: & Consider me In Respect of the Loss of my Husband as your honours shall see mette which shall further Ingage your poor petitioner to pray for your honors & this Countries peace & prosperity.

[Endorsed]—Mrs. Turners petition, 26 June 1676.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 21.

Soldiers credited under Capt. William Turner:

6.			Edward Drinker	05 11 (06
01	04	00	Samuel Holmes	00 08 0	06
6.			Samuel Davis	01 17 0	18
02	04	06	Richard Cheever	03 12 1	
02	10	06	Robert Seares	03 06 0	0
02	04	06	William Turner, Capt.		
02	04	06	Ezekiel Gilman		
0.5		00	Hoo Steward		
05	11	00	Robert Bryan		
02	10	06	Elias Stiff		
02	12	00	Henry Beresford		
02	02	10	Jonathan Orris	02 04 0	
02	08	10	Edward Creek		
02	14	00		10 02 0	0
01	16	00	John Avis		
01	16	00	Henry Kerby	02 04 0	6
03	18	00	Thomas Elliott	02 12 0	0
02	04	06	Henry Wright	00 06 0	0
02	04	06	Bartholomew Whitwell	02 04 0	6
02	12	00	Thomas Skinner	03 04 0	9
01	80	00	Richard Knight		
04	10	10	Percivall Clark	02 04 0	
01	16	10	Mark Wood	02 04 0	
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July 24 1676.		John Sherly	05 14 00
Thomas Brissenden	04 16 00	Edward Samson	01 17 08
John Newman	05 03 09	Josiah Mann	. 03 13 08
John Simple	02 04 06	John Smith	00 10 02
August 24th 167	6.	Sept. 23d	
William Turner, Capt.	06 06 06	Thomas Bond	00 06 00
Samuel Gallop	02 03 08	Thomas Lyon	10 04 00
Philip Jessop	03 13 08	Roger Jones	08 08 00
William Turner	05 08 06		

The credits above mostly represent those soldiers who served under Capt. Turner from February 20th until April 7th, and the sum £02 04s. 06d. covers the time until their arrival home, about seven weeks and five days from their marching away. After April 7th, those of his soldiers who remained in the West received credit at the several garrisons at which they were located, and their names will appear in that connection; and this is the reason that so few who were in the "Falls Fight" are credited as serving under Capt. Turner. After his death the

officers of the garrison signed their vouchers.

The following list is the most important of all these that are preserved pertaining to the soldiers of Capt. Turner, as it contains the names of all the soldiers of whom the committee could find any trace. The grant was made of a township of land, as near as might be to the scene of the "Falls Fight," to all officers and soldiers who were engaged therein. This alphabetical list was evidently kept in the hands of the committee, and new names are added in different hands through several years. few fragmentary papers are preserved in the archives in connection with this list, that show the methods of proving and identifying claims. A certificate from John Bradshaw, still alive in February, 1735, declares that himself, Mr. Isaiah Tay, late of Boston, deceased, who was a lieutenant under Capt. Turner, and Nathaniel Pierce, of Woburn, were in the fight. John Dunkin, of Worcester, certifies, April 1st, 1735, that his uncle Jabez Dunkin was killed in the fight, and applies as his proper heir. John Chase, of Newbury, certifies that he was in the expedition with Capt. Turner, and helped to bury him, and that Samuel Coleby, late of Almsbury, deceased, was with him. Some other papers of like tenor are preserved, and several fragments of evidence from town and church records, showing that the committee demanded proofs before granting the claims. The residences of the soldiers were given according to the best knowledge of the committee, very often at loss for any information after the lapse of sixty years. Many of the soldiers, after the war, had removed to interior towns, and their descendants to different States, and sometimes the present residence of the claimant would be given as the supposed home of the soldier ancestor. Very many of the soldiers from the East were single men, boys



and apprentices, and when these were killed their names were soon lost, unless some record was made. At Northampton a record of the death of thirteen of the soldiers, who had been in garrison there, together with that of Capt. Turner, is found upon the town books under date of May 19, 1676, with the comment. "all slain by Indians." The committee finding this record, and not knowing otherwise, assigned Northampton, or "North," as their residence. It will be seen that one hundred and thirty-five names appear, while up to 1741 only ninety-nine claimants had been admitted. This may be explained by the fact that so many of those engaged in the affair were strangers in the colony, or mere boys, who left no legal claimants in this country. In other cases it would be difficult to prove relationship such as would entitle to a claim, especially when the soldier ancestor had removed to a distant part of the country.

A List of ye Soldiers yt were in ye Fall Fight under Capt. Wm Turner, approved off by ye Committee of ye Gen. Court. (Dated June, 1736.)

Allexander, Nath", N. Hampt. Alvard, Thom', Hadfield. Atherton, Hope, Hatfield. Ashdown, John. Arms, William, Hadley. Baker, Timothy, North Hampt. Bedortha, Samⁿ, Springfield. Bennett, James, South Hampt. Barber, John, Springfield. Burnap, John. Bradshaw, John, Medford. Burnitt, John, Windham. Bushrod, Peter, Northampton. Boultwood, Sam'l, Hadley. Bardwell, Robt, Hatfield. Ball, Samil, Springfield. Burton, Jacob, North. Beers, Richard, of Watertown, eldest son of Elnathan Beers. Belding, Sam¹¹. Clap, Preserved, Northampton. Fowler, Joseph, North. Flanders, John. Foot, Nath!!, Hatfield. Gleason, Isaac, Spring. Grover, Simon, Boston. Gerrin, Peter, North. Griffin, Joseph, Roxbury. Hitchcock, John, Springfield.

Hitchcock, Luke, Springfield.

Hadlock, John. Hoit, David, Hadley. Hawks, John, Hadley. Hawks, Eleaz, Hadley. Howard, William, North. Harrison, Isaac, Hadley. Hughs, George, Spring. Hinsdell, Experience, Hadley. Hodgman, Edward, Spring. Hunt, Sam^{ll}, Billerica. Harwood, James. Ingram, John, Hadley. Jones, Sami. Jones, Robertt. Jilett, Sam'l, Hatfield. James, Abell, North. King, John, North. Keett, Franc. Northamton. Kellogg, Joseph, Hadley. Lee, John, Westfield. Lyman, John, North. Leeds, Joseph, Dorchester. Leonard, Josiah, Spring. Langbury, John, North. Lyon, Thomas, North. Miller, John, North. Merry, Cornelius, North. Morgan, Isaac, Springfield. Morgan, Jonathan, Spring. Miller, Thomas, Spring.

¹ In the Northampton records Peter Jerrin. In Hull's accounts two persons appear in different places, Peter Jennings and Peter Gennings. This may be one of the two.



Mun, James, Alive: Colchester. Mun, John, Deerfield. Monteague, Peter, Hadley. Mattoon, Phillip, Hadley. Man, Josiah. Nims, Godfrey, North. Newbury, Tryall, Boston. Old. Robert, Spring. Chapin, Japhett, Springfield. Crow, Sami, Hadley. Crowfott, Joseph, Springfield. Clark, William, Northampton. Church, John, Hadley. Coleman, Noah, Hadley. Chamberlain, Benja., Hadley. Chamberlain, Joseph. Colfax, John, Hatfield. Cunnaball, John, Boston. Chase, John, Almsbury. Coleby, John, Almsbury. Dickenson, John, Hadley. Drew, Wm, Hadley. Dickenson, Nehemiah, Hadley. Dunkin, Jabez, Worcester. Edwards, Benja, North. Elgar, Thomas, Hadley. Fuller, Joseph, Newtown. Feild, Samuel, Hatfield. Forster, John, North. Pumroy, Medad, North. Price, Robert, North. Pike, Joseph, Spring. Pumroy, Caleb, North. Preston, John, Hadley. Pratt, John, Malden. Pressey, John, Almsbury. Pearse, Nath!, Woburn. Rogers, Henery, Spring.

Roberts, Thomas, North. Ransford, Sam^I, North. Ruggles, George, North. Read, Thomas, Westford. Roper, Ephra. Siky, Nath11. Suttleife, Nath", Hadley. Stebins, Sam^{ll}, Springfield. Stebins, Benoni, North. Stebins, Thomas, Springfield. Smeade, Wm, Northampton. Smith, John, Hadley. Stephenson, James, Springf. Seldin, Joseph, Hadley. Scott, Wm, Hatfield. Salter, John, Charlestown. Simonds, John. (Smith, Richd.)1 Turner, Capt. Wm, now Swan'y. Tay, Isaiah, Lt., Boston. Thomas, Benja, Spring. Taylor, John. Taylor, Jonathan, Springd. Tyley, Sam11. Veazy, Sam'l, Brantrey. Wright, James, North. Webb, John, North. Webb, Richard, North. Waite, Benjamin, Hatfield. Witteridge, John, North. Walker, John, North. Webber, Eleaz. Wattson, John. Wells, Thomas, Hadley. White, Henry, Hadley. Warriner, Joseph, Hadley. Wells, Jonathan, Hadley. Worthington, Wm.

Endorsement of the committee:

By y^e best Acco" we can come at y^e foregoing is a true list of y^e Soldiers y^t , were in y^e falls fight with y^r Indians under Capt. Turner & for ought appears to us at present y^{er} Descendants according to y^e acts of y^e General Court are to be admitted to share in y^e Grant of y^e township above Deerfield granted them.

The following list of claimants was admitted June 23d, 1736, and the name of John Scott, of Elbows, was added, doubtless before the report was accepted, and the figures also were changed. Thos. Wells, of Deertield, was then appointed agent for the pro-

¹ This name is in the margin, and was added after the list was made out.



prietors. Lots were drawn to the claimants according to the above list, and the settlement progressed. A previous grant to Mr. Fairweather of five hundred acres, together with much mountainous and waste land, reduced the original grant of six miles square to a tract of far less value, so that in 1741, when new claimants began to appear, the proprietors petitioned for and obtained another tract lying contiguous, a "gore" not yet covered by any previous grant. Two new claimants, Samuel Coleby, eldest son of Samuel Coleby, of Almsbury, and Tryall Newbury, of Malden, were admitted to first choice of lots on the new tract, by act of the Court August 1, 1741. Perhaps later claimants were admitted. The grant embraced the present town of Bernardston (at first called "Falltown"), Colraine, Leyden, etc. The names of descendants stand first in the list.

A list of Soldiers and Describts of such as are Deceased that were in the fight called the falls fight above Dearfield who are intituled to the township granted by the Generall Court, as follows:

Joseph Atherton, Deerfield, only son of Hope Atherton. Nath Allexander, Northampton, Nath Alexander. Thomas Alward, Middleton, eldest son of Thom: Alvard. John Arms, Dearfield, son William Arms. John Baker, Northampton, son of Timothy Baker. Samuel Bedortha, Springfield, son of Sam: Bedortha. John Field, Dearfield, Dsc'ndt James Bennett. John Barbur, Springfield, son John Barbur. John Bradshaw, Medford, John Bradshaw. Isaac Burnap, Windham, son John Burnap. Sam¹ Clesson, Northampton, Desct Peter Bushrod. Sam! Boltwood, Hadley, son Sam: Boltwood. Saml Bardwell, Dearfd, son Robt Bardwell. John Hitchcock, Springfield, Descend. Samll: Ball. Stephen Beldin, Nothampton, son Stephen Beldin. Richard Beers, Watertown, son Elnathan Beers. Samuell Beldin, Hatfd, Saml Beldin. Preserved Clap, Nthampton, son Preserved Clap. Thomas Chapin, Springfield, son Japheth Chapin. Samuell Crow, Hadley, son Samuell Crow. Joseph Crowfoot, Wethersfield, Descend Joseph Crowfoot. William Clark, Lebanon, son William Clark. Noah Cook, Hadley, Descendt Noah Coleman. Benja Chamberlain, Colchester, Benja Chamberlain. Nath" Chamberlain, Descend Joseph Chamberlain. Sam! Cunniball, Boston, son John Cunniball. John Chase, Newbury, John Chase. William Dickeson, Hadley, son Nehemiah Dickeson. Samuell Jellet, Hatfield, Descent John Dickeson. Benj^a Edwards, N. Hampton, son Benj^a Edwards. Joseph Fuller, Newtown, Joseph Fuller. Sam¹ Feild, Dearfeild, son Sam¹ Feild.



Nath" Foot, Colchester, son Nath: Foot. John Flanders, Kingston, son John Flanders. Isaac Gleeson, endfield, son Isaac Gleason. Richard Church, Hadley, Desci Isaac Harrison. - Simon Grover, Malden, son of Simon Grover. Samuell Griffen, Roxbury, son Joseph Griffen. John Hitchcock, Springfd, son John Hitchcock. Luke Hitchcock, Springfd, son Luke Hitchcock. Jonathan Hoit, Dearfd, son David Hoit. Jonathan Scott, Waterbury, Descendt John Hawks. Eleaser Hawks, Dearfd, son Eleaser Hawks. James Harwood, Concord, son James Harwood. John Doud, Middleton, Descendt Experience Hinsdell. Samuell Hunt, Tewsbury, Samuell Hunt. William James, Lebanon, son Abell James. John ingram, Hadley, son John ingram. Sam" Jellet, Hatfield, son Sam" Jellett. William Jones, Almsbury, son Robert Jones. Medad King, N hampton, son John King. Francis Keet, N hampton, son Francis Keet. Martin Kellog, Suffield, son Joseph Kellog. John Lee, Westfield, son John Lee. John Lyman, N hampton, son John Lyman. Joseph Leeds, Dorchester, son Joseph Leeds. Josiah Leonard, Springfd, son Josiah Leonard. John Merry, Long Island, son Cornelius Merry. Stephen Noble, formerly of endfield, Desnt Isaac Morgan. Jonathan Morgan, Springf^d, son Jonathan Morgan. Thomas Miller, Springfd, son Thomas Miller. James Mun, Colchester, James Mun. Beni^a Mun, Dearfield, son John Mun. John Mattoon, Wallingford, son Phillip Mattoon. John Nims, Dearfd, son Godfrey Nims. Ebenezer Pumroy, N hampton, son Medad Pumroy. Sam¹ Pumroy, N. H., son Caleb Pumroy. Samuell Price, Glassenbury, son Robert Price. Sam'l Preston, Hadley, Dest John Preston. Thomas Pratt, Malden, son John Pratt. John Pressey, Almsbury, son John Pressey. Henry Rogers, Springfd, son Henry Rogers. John Reed, Westford, son Thomas Reed. Nath^{ll} Sikes, Springf^d, son Nath^{ll} Sikes. Nath^a Sutliff, Durham, son Nath: Sutliff. Samⁿ Stebbins, Springf⁴, son of Samuel Stebbins. Luke Noble, Westfield, Dest of Thomas Stebbins. Ebenezer Smeed, Dearfield, son of William Smeed. Joseph Smith, Hatfield, son of John Smith. James Stephenson, Springf^d, son of James Stephenson. Thomas Selden, Haddam, son of Joseph Selden. Josiah Scott, Hatfield, son of William Scott. John Salter, Charlestown, son of John Salter. William Turner, Swansey, Grandson of Capt. Turner.



Benjamen Thomas, Stafford, son of Benjamen Thomas.
Joseph Winchall, jr. Sutfield, Descend Jonathan Tailer.
Samuell Tyley, Boston, son of Samuell Tyley.
Preserved Wright, N. H. son of James Wright.
Cornelius Webb, Springfa, son of John Webb.
Jonathan Webb, Stamford, son of Richard Webb.
John Wait, Hatfield, son of Benjamen Wait.
Eleaser Webber, Westfield, son of Eleaser Webber.
Thomas Wells, Dearfield, son of Thomas Wells.
Ebenezer Wariner, Endfield, son of Joseph Wariner.
Jonathan Wells, Dearfield, Jonathan Wells.
William Worthington, Colchester, son of Nicho Worthington.
John Scott, elbows, Grandson John Scott.

1 The Committee appointed to inlist the officers and Souldiers 96 in the fight called the falls fight under the Command of number Capt. William Turner then Slain and the Descendt of such as are Deceased and that are intituled to the grant of this great and generall Court made them of a towneship, have attended many times that service & returne the list above & aforesaid which contains the persons names claiming & from whome and which the Committee have accordingly allowed all which is Submitted.

Boston June 1736.

W^M DUDLEY EZE. LEWIS JOHN STODDARD JOSEPH DWIGHT

In Council June 23, 1736

Read and ordered that this Report be accepted. John Wainwright. Sent down for concurrence.

Simon Frost, Dep'y Secretary.

Archives, vol. 114, p. 610.

Quite a number of the soldiers, as will be noticed, were alive, and presented their claims in their own persons; for instance, Nathaniel Alexander, John Bradshaw, Samuel Beldin, John Chase, Joseph Fuller, Samuel Hunt, James Mun, Jonathan Wells, and very likely many others.

CAPT. WILLIAM TURNER'S FAMILY.

Notwithstanding the notable career of Capt. Turner, all the results of efforts to trace his posterity so far amount to a few accidental clues and inferences, and the following attempt to arrange these is little more than a summary of probabilities. William Turner was of Dorchester from 1642–1664, but no record of marriage or birth of children is yet found. On Boston Town Records, under date of July 31st, 1665, "Sargt Will: Turner was ordered to p'vide for himselfe and family in some other place, having carried it ofencively here." He was again admonished August 28th, and, not complying, was, on Sept. 25th, ordered to be presented to the next county court. Of his further perse-



cution, account is given above. On Boston Town Records is found, "Prudence, dau. of William and Frances Turner born October 12th 1665." In Suffolk Registry of Deeds, vol. x. p. 318, William Turner and Mary his wife, relict and executrix to the Will of John Pratt, her former husband, dec'd (Vide Historical and Genealogical Register, vol. vii. p. 36), convey to Jacob Hewins a dwelling-house and three-and-a-half acres of land, etc. This lot was bounded on the south very nearly by what is now Howard Avenue, and lay not very far to the west from the corner of what are now Dudley Street and Howard Avenue in Ward 20. The deed was made April 1st, 1671, and shows that the wife Frances was dead and the second wife Mary, widow of John Pratt, had been married. Their home was doubtless in Boston after 1665. No record is found of the death of this second wife. but in his will above mentioned, dated February 16th, 1675-6, he mentions Mary his wife, formerly wife of Key Alsop. Now Key Alsop died April 30th, 1672, and she married Capt. Turner probably in 1673-4 as his third wife. Frances, the first, was probably the mother of all his children, but of the place and date of their births no record is found save of Prudence, above mentioned, and William, of his company, who is identified as his son, by reference to him in the petition of Mary Turner above given. His will, however, proves that he had sons and daughters living iu 1676, and it would seem that the son William was under twenty-one years, as his mother-in-law petitions for his wages as appears above. Thomas and William Turner were serving in the garrison at Marlborough in the summer and fall of 1675, and in the trouble which Lieut. John Ruddock had with the Marlborough townspeople, Thomas was first on the list of soldiers, who gave evidence in favor of the Lieutenant, and then disappears from view, but reappears in 1678 at Bridgewater, where, with Joseph Howard, he is appointed surveyor. In 1680 he is at Scituate, where he settles and has children, of whom the second son, William, born Jan. 13th, 1683-4, furnishes the clue which connects this family with Capt. William of the Falls Fight; for this William, son of Thomas, was the same who in 1736 drew Capt. Turner's right in the grant above mentioned, and is styled his "grandson;" he died in Newport, R.I., "Oct. 4th, 1759, in the 77th year of his age," and the correspondence of birth, grant and death, affords the clue. Dr. T. Larkin Turner, of Boston, has worked out this theory, and following it up I find many other points. From Bristol County Registry I find that in 1710 Josiah Turner, of Swansey, sold to his "brother Thomas Turner, of Scituate, shipwright," a farm in Swansey. Both were inhabitants of Swansey in 1711. The Province law enacted that the eldest male heir of a soldier-grantee should have the choice of taking the grant and paying off the other heirs their proportional part of £10, which was the established valuation of a share.



The various clues and inferences above seem to point to the following as a fair approximation to the family of

Capt. WILLIAM TURNER and wife FRANCES.

Patience,² bapt. in Dorchester, Nov. 10, 1644. Thomas,² soldier at Marlborough, 1675; at Bridgewater, Scituate and Swansey, a shipwright, 1678–1715; at latter date he purchased land in Freetown of Constant Church. William,² the soldier in the army with his father as noted above, settled in Boston. Joshua,² joined 1st Baptist Church in Boston, 1669. Josiam,² of Swansey, in 1706, with wife Hannah and children. Elizabeth,² joined Baptist Church 1676; perhaps m. Alexander Dunkan, July 6, 1698, "married by Mr. Miles." PRUDENCE b. in Boston, Oct. 12, 1665. Joseph,² who (perhaps) married Sarah Wyman, dau. of Thomas, a "Tailor," 1704.

Second Generation. Line of Thomas, 2 of Scituate, etc.

Тномаs,³ b. Sept. 18, 1682. Probably settled in Rochester, Mass., and had family there; perhaps died before 1736, or waived his right or sold it to William his brother, of Swansey.

WILLIAM,³ m. Patience Hale, of Swansey, in 1711. Settled in Swansey, and was quite a large land-owner and a ship-builder. He succeeded to the Indian-War claim of his grandfather, as above-said. He was one of the non-resident proprietors who agreed to pay £23 each to carry forward the settlement of the Township. He was of Swansey as late as 1748, but later removed to Newport, R.I., where he died Oct. 4, 1759, in his 77th year. His children, born in Swansey, were: William, b. April 27, 1713, became a physician in New Jersey; and his other children, born between 1714 and 1734, were: Lillis, Nathaniel, Patience, Caleb, and Hale.

ii. Rebecca.³ iv. Joshua.³ v. Caleb.³ vi. David.³ vii. Joseph.³ viii. Benjamin.³ The descendants of these six are scattered through various parts of New England; and Dr. T. L. Turner, of Boston, has in preparation a genealogy of this whole branch of the Turner family, and has furnished much of the material above, for my use in this article.

Second Generation. Line of William.2

WILLIAM ² Turner, son of Capt. William, a soldier at Marlborough Garrison in the summer and fall of 1675, in the Army with his father from February 21, 1675–6, until the Captain's death, but was not in the "Falls Fight." He served sometime after that, as the accounts of service indicate. Married before 1679, and settled in Boston. Is in a list of handy-craftsmen later. In 1691 was among those who returned from the West Indies, bringing an account of the great earthquake there; 1695, chosen constable in Boston; 1698, tythingman; 1699, clerk of the market; 1701, licensed to sell wine, etc.; 1708, his wife Hannah is licensed to sell wine. His first wife was Ruth, by whom he had Joshua, b. Sept. 28, 1679, and again Joshua, b. Aug. 20, 1687. He married



Hannah Jacklin, Aug. 28, 1689, and had Mercy, b. Feb. 19, 1691; Hannah, b. Feb. 25, 1693; William, b. Dec. 12, 1699. Mary, b. March 29, 1696, and Mary, b. Feb. 28, 1697, are assigned to parents "William and Mary," but probably is a mistake and should be William and Hannah.

Josian ² Turner, son of Capt. William. settled in Swansey with wife Hannah, and had there John, ³ b. Nov. 11, 1706; Nathaniel, ³ b.

March 19, 1709-10.

Thanks are due to Dr. T. Larkin Turner and Messrs. W. B. Trask, J. W. D. Hall, H. O. Wood, and G. H. Tilton, for helpful assistance in the above account of Capt. Turner's family, the results of which do not at all represent the amount of work done.



XVIII.

CAPT. JONATHAN POOLE, CAPT. THOMAS BRATTLE, AND THEIR COMPANIES.

JONATHAN POOLE, of Reading, was the son of John and Margaret, and was born (probably at Cambridge) in 1634.

His father was one of the first settlers of Reading, a large land-owner, and doubtless was the wealthiest of the settlers. The family homestead was on the present site of the "Wakefield Rattan Works," and to this and other large tracts of land Jonathan succeeded upon the death of his father in 1667.

His wife's name was Judith, and their children, born in Reading, were — Sarah, born 1656, married, 1673, Thomas Bancroft; Judith, born 1658; Mary, born 1660, died 1661; Mary, 2d, born 1662, married, 1682, James Nichols; John, born 1665; Jonathan, born 1667, married Bridget Fitch, 1691-2; Thomas, born 1673;

William, born 1677; Elizabeth, born 1678.

Capt. Poole died in 1678; aged 44 years. His widow, Judith, married, 1681, Capt. Wm. Hasey, and third, Lieut. Robt. Gould, of

Hull, and died, in Hull, 1704.

In October, 1671, he was appointed Quartermaster, and in May, 1674, Cornet of the "Three County Troop," and still held that office when the war broke out in 1675. In the summer he was in service under Lieut Hasey, serving as Cornet, and will appear in Hasey's list. In the campaign under Major Appleton, in the fall of 1675, we find him in important positions. Sept. 30th he was in command of the garrison at Quabaog. He probably marched his troops, about October 10th, to Hadley, whence he was assigned by Major Appleton to the defence of Hattield. On October 19th, when that town was attacked, Capt. Poole was in command of a company, and gallantly and successfully defended the north side of the town, account of which is given above. In this defence, John Pocock, of Capt. Poole's company, was killed. When Major Appleton had the command of this army of the west suddenly thrust upon him by the Council, he appointed Cornet Poole to a captaincy, and sent word to the Council of his action, but the Council in reply rebuked this assumption of authority on his part, instructing him that it is his place to recommend a deserving officer, but the Council's place to pro-



mote. Upon the necessity to consult the Council more fully than by letters, he sends Capt. Poole personally in charge of his messengers, who evidently made so good an impression upon the worthy magistrates that they recognized the wisdom of Major Appleton, and upon his withdrawal of the main army for the campaign at Narraganset. Captain Poole was placed in command of the garrison forces in the Connecticut towns, and remained at his post until, at the earnest solicitation of his friends and family, he was relieved by the appointment of Capt. Turner, April 7th, 1676. Of his service during the winter some idea may be gained from the following extract from a letter of Rev. John Russell to the Council:

Capt. Poole who hath been last here for ye governmi of ye souldiers & as president of ye Council of warr here doth earnestly intreate for a liberty to repaire to his own very much suffering family at least for a while, We may not be so selvish as to be unsensible to kindnesse to us in his stay here or losse to him thereby so as to hinder ye promoting of any rationall request consisting win of publike safety: We are thankfull for what blessing God hath made him to us; desirous to retaine him while not to much to his pjudice. He signifies to us yt there is now here in the army a man of ye same Town viz. Redding by Name Mr. John Brown whom he judgeth very fitt to oversee the souldiers, etc., etc.

Hadley March 16th 1675-6. Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 163.

Credited under Capt. Poole.

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October 19th 16	75			Richard Silvester	05	00	00		
Benjamin Hurd	01	10	00	John Arnold	02	14	00		
Thomas Lasel	$\theta 2$	02	0.0	John Jones	06	18	00		
November 20th 1	675			April 24th 167					
Simon Burr	01	08	02	Anthony Ravinscroft "	pr S	Sam	1		
Joseph Hartshorne	03	17	0.0	Allin"	01	06			
Jacob Hurd	01	01	00	John Dunster		06	06		
William Arnold	04	10	00	June 24th 1676	3				
James Pike				Richard Silvester	03	03	00		
Phineas Upham, Lieut.	-06	19	04	Thomas Bishop	09	00	00		
Abraham Staples	00	10	00	Benjamin Norden	06	00	00		
Samuel Read	01	00	00	John Wild	09	05	08		
December 20th 1675			John Wild John Knight John Hall	11	02	08			
Benjamin Chamberlain	03	13	08	John Hall	11	09	00		
Walter Hickson	04	10	00	George Ebern	01	04	00		
John Pemberton	04	03	00	Edward Bishop	07	03	02		
January 25th 16	75			Jonathan Poole, Capt.	05	00	00		
John Pocock	01	02	04	Joseph Hartshorn	05	06	08		
Joshuah Fuller	03	06	00	Samuel Neal	08	00	00		
Joseph Chamberlaine	01	04	00	John French	10	15	00		
February 29, 16	75			Increas Whetston	07	03	02		
George Eborne		04	00	Thomas Burges		19			
March 24, 167	5.			William Chubb		18			
John Laine		00	00	Jonathan Poole, Capt.		05			



William Rayment		02		Thomas Eaton		14	
Thomas Sparks			06	Samuel Gatchell		14	10
Zechariah Herrick		08		Isaac Foster	04	05	08
John Clark		08		Benony Mactonell	00	10	02
William Elliot			00	James Carr	02	18	01
Benjamin Collins			00	John Dunton	05	09	08
Uzall Wardall	03	08	07	John Dethsidy	04	05	08
July 24th 167	6			Joseph Norman	02	15	08
Thomas Cooke	09	18	00	Francis Cooke	01	01	03
Joshuah Boynton	02	07	00	John Prescott	00	12	00
William Bond	01	00	00	Nehemiah Tottingham	00	10	02
Daniel Smith	01	05	06	Joseph Peirce	00	17	00
August 24th				William Duty	00	15	08
Robert Simpson	03	12	00	Joshuah Sawyer	01	00	00
Samuel Nicholson	01	04	00	Jonathan Poole	13	14	00
Thomas Smith	01	13	04	Humphrey Willard als.			
John Pengilly	04	07	03	Millard	00	10	02
Joseph Jacobs	02	14	10	Benjamin Merifield	00	10	02
George Crosse	02	14	00	Thomas Hoppin	00	09	04
Elisha Fuller	02	14	10	Joseph Hartshorn	02	16	00
John Randall	00	19	08	Timothy Hewitt	08	19	08
James Miller	00	18	06	Israel Howing	00	10	02
Samuel Graves	02	01	03	William Pashly	00	18	0.0
John Hascall	02	14	00	Josiah White	05	18	09
John Day	04	10	00	William Deane	01	01	09
William Day	00	10	02	John Parker	00	10	02
Joseph Burrell	01	04	00	Henry Duen	01	00	06
John Smith	01	10	10	Nathaniel Bray	02	14	00
John Fitch	03	00	10	Richard Wood	00	17	00
John Ellitt	03	06	03	James Chute	01	10	10
Jonathan Moss	01	10	10	Thomas Woolson	00	08	06
Moses Chadwell	01	08	00	Sebius Jackson	01	11	0.5
Samuel Fisk	01	04	00	Thomas Browne	00	04	03
Samuel Stainwood .	04	10	00	Henry Spring	00	07	00
John Long	00	17	00	Joseph Sherman	01	07	00
Jacob Pudenter	01	04	00	John Stone	01	11	00
James Atkeson	00	11	00	John Graves	05	06	04
Richard Hall	07	19	04	Stephen Pain	00	08	06
John Elsmore	01	02	06	Josiah Jones	00	15	08
Caleb Ray	00	10	04	Robert Mann	01	18	06
Thomas Vely	01	10	10	John Sterns	00	08	06
William Stacey	00	12	00	John Oyne	00	15	06
September 23 ^d 1	676			Nathaniel Robins	0.0	12	10
John Flanders	02	14	10	Thomas Chamberlaine	03	18	10
Henry Bragg	04	05	08				
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Worke done ffor ye Soulders by ye order of Capt: Poole & Commesary Coaleman of Hattfeild December ye 10th 1675 by Jacob Gardener

Vamping a paire of Shewes & Vamping a paire of bootes	}	0:	17:	00
John Watson — 2 paire of Shewes		0:	16:	00
Anthoney Ravenscraft — 1 pair of Bootes .		1:	00:	0.0



John Downing - 1 paire of Shewes	:			0: 08: 00
Javish Musgrove - 1 paire of Shewes				0: 08: 00
Hue Pike — 1 paire of Shewes .				0: 06: 00
Robert Symson - 2 paire of Shewes				0: 16: 00
Epheram Rigman - 1 paire of Shewes	3 .			0: 08: 00
John Arnall - 1 paire of Shewes & S		ıs		0: 14: 00
Thomas Burges - 1 paire of Shewes				0: 08: 00
William Briggs — 1 paire of Shewes				0: 05: 00
Jeremy Clothier — 1 paire of Bootes				1: 00: 00
Richard Silvester — 1 pair of Shewes				0: 08: 00
John Hall — 1 paire of Shewes .				0: 08: 00
Mosses Knapp — 1 paire of Shewes				0: 08: 00
Richard Smith — 1 paire of Shewes				0: 08: 00
Robert Coates — 1 paire of Shewes				0: 08: 00
Joseph Hartshorne - 1 paire of Shew	es			0: 08: 00
Tho: Brian - 1 paire of Shewes and p				0: 09: 00
Will: Chub-1 paire of Shewes .				0: 08: 00
John Hues 1 paire of Shewes .				0: 08: 00
Benjamine Barret - 1 paire of Shewes				0: 08: 00
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These is to Sertifile y^e Honoured Commetty; that these two bills was delivered by y^e order of Capt. Poole & my Self ffor y^e use of the soulders and Rec^d by the solgers,

by me John Coaleman comisarey of Hatfield.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 83.

CAPT. THOMAS BRATTLE AND HIS MEN.

Thomas Brattle was born about 1624. Was a merchant of good standing in Boston in 1656; was of the Artillery Company He was an enterprising land-purchaser, and bought large tracts on the Kennebec and the Merrimac, the latter of the Indians. He owned valuable iron works at Concord, and was deputy from that town from 1678-1681; also from Lancaster, 1671-2. Was one of the founders of the Old South Church, and in 1671 one of the commissioners sent to treat with Philip at Taunton; and in nearly all the relations of public life he appears as one of the most active and influential men of the colony. He married, probably in 1656, Elizabeth Tyng, daughter of Capt. William and Elizabeth (Covtemore) Tyng, whose tragic death, Nov. 9th, 1682, is recorded in Judge Sewall's Diary. Their children, born in Boston, were — Thomas, born Sept. 5, 1657, died same day; Thomas, born June 20, 1658; Elizabeth, born Nov. 30th, 1660; William, born Nov. 22, 1662; Katharine, born Sept. 26, 1664; Bethiah, born Aug. 13, 1666; Mary, born Aug. 10, 1668; Edward, born Dec. 18, 1670. Thomas Brattle was appointed Cornet of the Suffolk troop, May 30th, 1670; Lieutenant, Oct. 13, 1675; Captain, May 5, 1676. When the war broke out, Capt. Brattle was an immediate and important friend of the colony. He loaned the colony two hundred pounds, and in the first few months of



the war he is personally credited with cash, supplies and service to the amount of fifteen hundred pounds upon the treasurer's accounts.

Sept. 8, 1675, the Council orders Cornet Thomas Brattle, with a party of horsemen under his command, to take fifty soldiers who are appointed to meet him at Leftenant Thomas Henchman's, in Groton, and distribute them according to his discretion in the towns of Dunstable, Groton and Lancaster; and to arrange with the inhabitants for the support and aid of their garrisons; also to settle affairs, so far as possible, with the friendly Indians at Wamesit, Nashoba and Marlborough, to induce the chief Wannalancet to return and live quietly at Wamesit, giving his son as a hostage into the hands of the English, etc. The issue of this affair will appear in the account of the Pennacooks. Capt. Brattle was engaged in the organization and supply of the several expeditions west and south. He was personally with the forces at Narraganset, in the reorganization of the army after the Swamp Fight. On May 15th, 1676, in the expedition to Hassanamesit under Capt. Henchman, Capt. Brattle, with a party of horse, fell upon the Indians between Mendon and Hassanamesit and killed about twenty, of whom four were squaws. The enemy dispersed into the swamps, and the main body escaped.

On May 24th, Capt. Brattle "with a troope of horse," about fifty, went in pursuit of the Indians "that had newly done spoyle at Seaconcke." With a small party of foot, he arrived at the Falls of "Pocatuck River," being on the Seaconck side. The Indians appeared on the opposite side in force. Leaving the foot behind, Capt. Brattle led the troopers up the river, where they crossed with great difficulty, and soon came down upon the Indians and put them to a disastrous flight, capturing large store of their fish and other supplies, killing several. One of the English was killed, and Cornet Elliot was wounded in the hand. The dead soldier was carried to Seaconck and buried. An Indian boy was captured who testified that these Indians were three or four hundred, and belonged to "Nepsachuit." See Col. Records, vol. v. p. 96, the full letter of the

General Court.

June 30th, 1676, Capt. Brattle is sent on an expedition towards Mount Hope with instructions as follows:

Instructions for Capt. Thomas Brattle.

You are to take twenty of your Troope with such officers as you shall see meete, together with an officer & ten Troop¹⁵ of Left. Hassey's Troope and with them to march with all expedition to Dedham where are ordered to be an officer with eighteen foote souldiers mounted from Dorchester, sixe from Roxbury and twenty from Dedham with an officer. All appointed to be at Dedham the Rendermark.



vous this day at fower of the clock this afternoone, whom you are to take under your Conduct and the officers and souldiers are Required to obey you as theire Commander for this Service of the Country. You are to march with your Troopers & Dragoons to be at John Woodcocks by midnight where you shall meete with an Indian Pylot and two files of musketeers which Pylot hath engaged to bring you upon Phillip and his Company who are not above thirty men as he saith & not ten miles from Woodcocks ; be sure to secure your Pylot to prevent falsehood and escape. You are to endeavour with your utmost diligence to Come up with the enemy and Coming up with him, or any other of them, you are to subdue kill and destroy, in your marches take heed of Ambushments and see you keepe your souldiers in Comand and that they moove with as much sylence as may be, that you be not prevented. In case the ennimy should be past to Mount Hope and that you Can meete with Plymouth forces you are to Joyne with them. If upon Intelligence you may probably Come up with ennemy to fight subdue & destroy them.

ffor that you are victualled onely for sixe days, you are to order that your march out may be proportionably thereto for your Returne unless by the longer stay you shall see you have very probable advantage against the enemy & you may have Recruite of proper officers from our Confederates or cann give timely notice to us to send

you supply.

In case you meete not with a Pylot at Woodcoks you are to send to Mr. Newman at Rehoboth and lett him know of your being there, and wayting to endeavour to surprise Phillip; And In case that faile, if upon Intelligence you have oppertunity to fall upon any other of the ennemy you are to attend that; Upon all occasions & opportunity you are to Advise us of your motions and of Gods dealings with you; for your so doing these are your order and warrant. Given at Boston the thirtieth day of June 1676.

By the Gouvernour & Council of the Massachusetts.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, pp. 24, 25.

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In this expedition Capt. Mosely was joined, as related by Mr. Hubbard. The plan was carried out, but when they arrived at the swamp they found the wily chief and his body guard "newly gone." They, however, joined with the Plymouth forces under command of Major Bradford, and succeeded, before their return home in the latter part of July, in securing the Plymouth and southern towns, and in killing or capturing one hundred and fifty of the enemy.

Čapt. Thomas Brattle died April 5th, 1683. He left, it is said, the largest estate ¹ in New England at that time. His son

¹ In the old Court files, Book 3, is preserved the following, which may be of interest as describing Capt. Brattle's Kennebec grant:

[&]quot;Thomas Brattle in behalf of himself & other the Heirs of Capt, Thomas Brattle, Mr. Antipas Boyes, Mr. Edward Tyng & John Winslow claims a certain Tract of Land in America in or between & extending from the utmost Bounds of Cobbesseonic which adoined to the River of Kennebeck towards the Western Ocean, and a Place called the Falis at Noquankeck & a Place of fifteen English Miles on both Sides the River called Kennebeck River & all the said River that lyeth within the said Limits & bounds Eastward, Westward, Northward & Southward as per Deed from the Governa of Plimouth Colony dated 27 October 1001 & Orderly recorded, Defended to the Coverna of Plimouth Colony dated 27 October 1001 & Orderly recorded, Defended to the Coverna of Plimouth Colony dated 27 October 1001 & Orderly recorded.



Thomas administered upon the estate. This son Thomas graduated at Harvard, 1676, and was eminent for his scholarship, especially in mathematics. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of London, which was a mark of great distinction to an American. He was celebrated for his opulence, talents and benevolence; was treasurer of Harvard College from 1693 to his death, May 18, 1713. He was never married. William Brattle, second son of Capt. Thomas, graduated at Harvard College in 1780, and received degree of B.D. in 1692, and in 1696 was ordained pastor of the church in Cambridge. He was a celebrated scholar and preacher, being especially liberal for his time. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Nathaniel Hayman, of Charlestown, Nov. 3, 1697, and by her had two sons, of whom William, the eldest, inherited his grandfather's Narraganset claim.

Soldiers Credited under Capt. Thomas Brattle.

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October 19, 16		Hugh Taylor	00 15 08
George Berbeck	00 10 00	Jonathan Atherton	01 10 00
Dec. 20th		Ebenezer Heiden	01 11 05
John Paison	00 10 00	John Bennett	02 02 09
Caleb Graunt	00 10 00	Richard Francis	01 00 00
Samuel Thacher	00 10 00	Denis Syhy	02 17 09
Thomas Brattle, Lieut.	$01 \ 05 \ 00$	Moses Paine	01 08 07
-John Bennet	00 10 00	John Smith	00 12 09
John Willington	00 10 00	Richard Hall	01 18 10
Solomon Phips	00 10 00	Paltiel Grover	01 12 10
Samuel Williams	00 10 00	Thomas Adams	00 15 08
Samuel Minott	00 10 00	Francis Cooke	01 00 00
William Kent	00 10 00	Samuel Williams	01 17 06
Samuel Payson	00 17 00	John Wells	02 17 00
March 24th 167	6	John Needham	01 12 10
John Needham	00 14 02	John Long	01 05 06
John Bennitt	01 14 02	Elisha Foster	01 04 08
August 24 167	6	Samuel Maxfield	01 04 08
Ebenezer Williams	01 12 10	Evan Jones	01 04 08
Joshuah Henshaw	01 07 06	Wm. Harsey als. Hasye	01 12 10
William Kent	02 11 00	John Needham	00 07 00
John Newell	00 19 08	David Freeman	01 03 06
Richard Scott	02 02 00	Benjamin Mills	01 03 06
John Pinder	00 15 08	John Pason	00 10 00
James Chevers	00 18 09	Samuel Church	01 07 00
James Francklin	00 15 08	John Stearnes	01 07 00
John Oynes	00 15 08	Josiah Jones	01 02 00
John Barrett	01 12 10	Increas Twing als. Winne	01 12 10
Justinian Holden	00 15 08	Patrick Morrene	01 00 00
Joseph Birch	01 12 10	Timothy Dwight	00 15 04
Thomas Leonard	00 15 08	Henry Spring	01 07 00
Moses Paine	01 11 05	John Kendall	01 12 10
John Waiard als. Ware	01 14 03	Ephraim Regimant	01 00 00
Obediah Wood	00 15 08	Thomas Holman	02 02 10



Timothy Dwight	00	08	68	James Pemerton	00	14	03
Joshuah Lambe	02	02	10	Daniel Greenland	01	12	10
Francis Coard	01	00	00	Anthony Howard	01	08	06
Thomas Robinson	00	18	08	Daniel Champney	01	02	10
September :	23 ^d 1676			Joseph Sherman	01	07	00
Thomas Browne	01	02	10	William Bond	01	02	10
Samuel Gary	00	19	08	James Baker	01	04	06
John Winter	01	02	10	Daniel Ruff	01	04	00
James Bird	00	12	09	William Ager	01	05	08
Timothy Hawkins	01	00	00	John Allice	01	02	02
Daniel Smith	01	02	10	Richard Wood	01	17	00
John Tolman	02	01	05	Joshuah Sayer	01	14	03
Edward Couch	01	04	06	Thomas Pemberton	03	05	08
John Turtle	01	12	10	John Mason	01	12	10
Samuel Stone	01	02	10	Nathaniel Rowleston	01	02	10
Thomas Peirce	01	12	10	James Miller	01	00	00
Zechariah Fowle	00	08	06	Charles Davenport	00	13	00
John Blackman	00	10	02	Jonathan Gilbert	02	00	00
James White	01	02	08	Samuel Sumner	00	19	08
Samuel Parker	01	03	06				



XIX.

CAPT. JOSEPH SILL AND HIS MEN.

JOSEPH SILL (or as it is variously spelled, Syll, Scill and Scyll) was the son of John and his wife Joanna, of Cambridge, 1637-8, and was born there about 1639. He married, December 5, 1660, Jemima, daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth (Danforth) Belcher, of Cambridge, and had children—Andrew, born February 5, 1665-6, died June 12, 1666; Joseph, bpt. 11 Mar. 1666, d. young; Jemima, born September 21, 1667, who married, December 21, 1687, John Hall, of Medford, and inherited for him her father's Narraganset claim; Elizabeth, born September 12, married, November 12, 1685, Samuel Green, Jr.; Andrew and Thomas, of whose births no record is found. Mr. Savage says that he removed to Lyme, Conn., at the close of Philip's war, and there married, February 12, 1678, his second wife, Sarah Marvin, widow of Reynold, and daughter of George Clark, by whom he had Joseph, born January 6, 1679; Zachariah,

born January 1, 1682; perhaps others.

Capt. Sill was called into military life early in the war, and served almost continually, in important times and places, till its close. When Capt. Richard Beers marched with his company up to relieve the garrison at Brookfield, Aug. 5th, 1675, Sill was his lieutenant, and shared the fortunes of the company in that campaign; was probably in the fight at "Sugar-Loaf Hill" on August 25th; but was probably left at Hadley in command of the rest of the company when Capt. Beers, and his twenty-six men, marched to the relief of Northfield on September 3d, and were ambushed and nearly all slain on the 4th, on what is since known as "Beers's Plain." After that disaster he remained in command of the remnant of the company for the rest of the campaign, and up to October 5th, when he is mentioned in Capt. Mosely's letter as having gone with Captain Appleton and a company of one hundred and ninety men to protect Springfield. On October 4th a letter from the Council to Major Pynchon directs that "Lieut. Scill be dismissed home to his family," and his soldiers to make up some of the other companies as the Major thinks best.

In a letter from Capt. Appleton at Hadley, October 17th, Capt.



Sill is mentioned as being still in command of a company of sixty men; but he had evidently returned home before November 1st, as upon the 2d he was called out again and given commission with the following instructions:

Orders and Instructions for Capt. Joseph Syll.

By virtue of An order pr. Council impowring mee to give you Instructions &c.

1] You are to Take charge of the soldiers raised from Charlestown, Wattertown & Cambridge; which are about sixty men; & being fitted & furnished with Arms, Ammunition & provision for a weeke; you are to march away; forthwith to Naticke & there take such trusty indian guides with you (as Corporall watson hath p'pared for that purpose) & then march away wth all conv'nt speed to Hassanamesitt (an indian plantation neare nipmuck River) from whence you are to send intelligence unto Captain Daniel Henchman who with his company is marched to Mendon; informing him yt you are ordered to joyne with him to pursue the enimy, whom we heare is come down to a place called Packachooge about 7 miles from Hassanamesit Norwest, & hath killed and surprised some of o' neighbour Indians that were gathering corne there; and as wee have ground to feare hath lately Attacked marlborow.

2] Being joyned with Capt. Henchman you are to be under his order and joyntly to seeke out for the enimy at ye said place or any other place where you can understand hee is; and if you meet the enimy you are to use your best skill & force to surprise, sease kill and destroy the enimy; and to receive and release any of our friends either

English or Indians y' are taken or injured by him;

3] You are to be very careful to send forth scouts; before you to discout the enimies quarters & if it may bee to commupon him in the night.

4] You are carefully so to march y' men in the woods so y' if it be possible to avoide or shunne or well serch before you com to neare all thick places as swamps or thicketts wher the enimy uses with subtility

to lurk in Ambushments.

5] You are in all yo' Attempts & enterprises to have yo' harts lifted up to God in Ch' Jesus; who is the Lord of hosts & God of armies that hee will give his p'sence with you & assistance unto you & yo' Company in all yo' undertakings not trusting or relying upon the Arme of flesh but upon the Lord alone from whose greatness Blessing & p'sence all good comes.

6] And you are carefully so to demeane yo'selfe in yo' conv'sation y' you may give yo' soldiers a good example in piety & vertue & so govern the soldiers under yo' command y' yo' campe may bee holynes to y' Lord & to this end you have y' military laws printed and pub-

lished, which are for yo' rule & direction in that matter.

7] If you finde a considerable quantity of come at Packachooge if yu can save it wee give it you and yo' soldiers together wth Capt.

Henchman and his soldiers for plunder.

So desiring the ever living Lord God to accompany you & yo' company with his gratious conduct and presence, And that he will for Chts sake approve in all the mounts of difficulty; & cover all yo' heads



in the day of Battle & deliver; the blood-thirsty & cruel enimy of God & his people into yo' hands, & make you executioners of his just Indignation upon them and returne you victorious unto us We comitt you & yo' company unto God & remaine Yo' very Loving freind

DANIEL GOOKIN, Sen'. 1

November the 2^d 1675.

These orders & Instructions past by the Councill November 2, 1675.

E. R. S.

[Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 40.]

The account of this expedition has been given in part in connection with Capt. Henchman's company, but many additional particulars, and, indeed, the most reliable account attainable now is given in Gen. Daniel Gookin's account of the "Praying Indians." It would seem by his account that the chief cause of this expedition of Henchman and Sill was the capture by the hostile Indians of three of the villages of the "Praying" or "Christian" Indians, viz.: Magunkog (Hopkinton), Hassanamesit (Grafton) and Chobonokonomum (Dudley). Capt. Sill was at Hassanamesit on November 6th, having with him as guides six of the Natick "Praying Indians," of whom the principal were James Quannapohit and Eleazer Pegin. These two, with about a dozen of the company, went out to scout, and discovered seven hostile Indians leading away a white boy captive. The hostiles fled, but were so closely pursued by the Natick scouts that they were forced to abandon the boy, who was taken by our Indians and brought back to Capt. Sill. This boy's name was Christopher Muchin, a servant or apprentice of Peter Bent, a miller at Marlborough; and he told the Captain that he was seized the day before at Bent's mill, and that Bent's son, a lad of about nine years, was taken at the same time, scalped and left for dead - who, however, recovered. After this Capt. Sill's company joined with Capt. Henchman's, and under the latter's command all marched to a place called Packachooge (southerly part of Worcester), and there encamped for one night in two large wigwams recently left by the Indians. In this place, as well as in others on the way, quantities of corn were discovered, and much of it burned, but no Indians were found except by the small scouting parties led by the Naticks. The companies marched back to Hassanamesit and there separated before November 10th, and Capt. Sill marched with his company to Marlborough and Sudbury, where he was located on November 16th, but marched to Springfield immediately, and on the 20th, in the disposal of the troops by Major Appleton into the garrisons for the winter, thirty-nine of his men were left at Springfield under command of Lieut. Niles. Capt. Sill was thereafter employed in guarding the supplies and conducting

 $^{^1\,\}rm Thus$ signed, and then scratched out and the Council's authority substituted by the Secretary, as shown on next page.



affairs, under Major Willard's orders, at the various garrisons as there was need, and was with the army at Narraganset after the Swamp Fight. He was sent with a company of dragoons, with some sixty carts, to bring off the inhabitants of Groton. The line of carts was said to be over two miles long, and the convoy of some fifty men very inadequate when stretched out to that length. This line was ambushed and attacked, but either the Indians were too few in number, or the long line of carts, with their guard, was too formidable or awkward to handle, so that having killed two of the advance guard at their first fire, and the guards not being thrown into confusion by the attack, but quickly rallying under their captain and preparing for defence, the Indians, after a few desultory shots from their safe covert, retired.

The following paper will show something of the kind of service in which Capt. Sill was engaged during this time.

At a Councill held at Boston the 21st of 1: Month, 1675-6

It is ordered that Capt. Syll give forth his orders to the several Constables of Charlestowne, Cambridge, Watterton, Sudbury & Marlboro forthwith to send in to him the horses & men y' were under his command formerly for the carriage of Ammunition and provision from Northbrow to Brookfield (or in default y'of to impresse so many) & Maj' Willard is ordered forthwith to appoynt said Capt. Syll: twenty troopers & Dragoones of Essex & Norfolke men to guard the said to the place appointed; and after the delivery of the said provisions & Ammunition at the Garrison there the said Syll is ordered to returne home and dismiss the said Horses & men & Returne the troopers & dragoones to Maj' Willard & attend his further orders.

It is further ordered y⁴ Capt. Syll cause the Coopers at Cambridge & Charlestowne to make so many 4 gallon runletts to put powder in as may suffice to earry 200¹⁵ powder from Marlborow to Brookfeild for the Country service.

Past E. R. S.

It is ordered by the Council, That the Commissary of Marlborow deliver to Capt. Syll such Ammunition and Provisions as his horses and Company can carry to Brookfield & after ye delivery of ye same to him, the said Commissary is to returne home, comitting what is remaining of the magazine at Marlborough unto Decon William Ward's care.

E. R. S.

[Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 170.]

Mr. Hubbard, in his History, says:

After this April 17. Capt. Sill being appointed to keep Garrison at Groton, some Indians coming to hunt for Swine, three Indians drew near the Garrison-house supposing it to have been deserted; two of them were slain by one single shot made by the Captain's own Hands, and the third by another Shot made from the Garrison.



On April 27th six companies were raised, three of foot under Capts. Sill, Cutler and Holbrook, the horse under Capts. Brattle, Prentice and Henchman, and sent to repress certain "Insolencies" of the enemy, and to range the woods towards Hassanamesit. There, guided by the Natick scouts, our horsemen fell upon quite a large party of the enemy and captured or killed sixteen, account of which has heretofore been given in the

chapter devoted to Capt. Henchman.

These forces were released on May 10th, owing to the troublesome distempers resulting from an "epidemical cold" at that time prevalent throughout the country; but the release was only till such time as the troops had generally recovered and were needed. The occasion came, and on May 30th the same forces were called out again and marched to Brookfield, where they were to meet the forces of Connecticut; but they came upon a body of Indians, "fishing in Weshacom Ponds towards Lancaster," of whom they killed seven, and captured twenty-nine, the latter mostly women and children. This affair occurred on May 7th, and necessitated delay and a return to Marlborough for supplies, so that when they arrived at Brookfield the Connecticut forces had marched to Hadley, where ours joined them on the 14th, two days after that place had been attacked by a large body of the enemy, who, busily watching the advance of our forces from Marlborough, seemed to have missed the Connecticut companies coming into the town, and were surprised at their presence, and fled precipitately when a shot from a small cannon struck an outlying house which some of them were plundering. The Connecticut soldiers pursued them for some miles up the river, and killed several, but could not overtake or flank them. The Massachusetts troops arrived on May 14th, and the united forces, with the Mohegans, amounted to about one thousand men. Major Talcott, with the Connecticut troops, on the 16th, marched up on the west side of the river, and Capt. Henchman with those of Massachusetts on the east side. A heavy rain-storm prevailed during several days, drenching them, and spoiling most of their ammunition and provision. They returned to Hadley on the 18th, and Major Talcott two days later marched homeward with his force, while Capt. Henchman with his troops remained several days diligently searching for the enemy; but not finding them, and fearing they were gathering towards the eastern towns, he marched homeward about June 24th. Capt. Henchman's letter (ante, page 57) gives an account of the experiences on this march home. Capt. Sill was selected to command a force consisting of about one hundred foot, a troop of horse and the company of friendly Natick Indians, and to scout from Quonsigamon pond towards Wachuset and thence to "Nashaway and the Weshakem Ponds," and join the main force, awaiting probably at Brookfield or Marlborough. The result of this scouting expedi-



tion under Capt. Sill is not found recorded. The enemy were now scattered towards Plymouth Colony and into the eastern parts,

about Dover, Wells, and as far as Casco Bay.

The main part of the troops in this campaign was dismissed early in July, but about the first of September we find Capt. Sill again in command of a company and marching to the eastward to protect the frontier settlements now threatened by the many hostile Indians who had taken refuge with the tribes in those parts. At Dover, on September 6th, his company, together with that of Capt. Hathorne, found four hundred Indians who were gathered at Dover at Major Waldron's, with whom the neighboring tribes had made peace. The Captains Hathorne and Sill were commissioned to seize and kill all Indians who had been concerned in the war, and there were many of these mixed in with the peaceful tribes and had come hither under their protection and pledge. The Captains urged their commission, and Major Waldron urged his duty and pledge of hospitality; but finding them determined he compromised the matter by planning a stratagem by which some two hundred of the hostile Indians were made prisoners, while Wannalancet and his Pennacooks, Ossipees and Pequakets were allowed to depart unharmed. The account of this transaction will properly fall under the chapter concerning Major Waldron.

Two days after this affair these companies, together with some of Major Waldron's and Capt. Frost's men, marched on to the eastward as far probably as Falmouth, but, finding no enemy and all the settlements deserted or destroyed, they returned to Piscataqua, and were in these parts on October 3d, as mentioned in a letter of Gen. Denison to the Council. Capts. Sill, Hunting and Frost are said to be there under command of Capt. Hathorne. It was there, about this time, that some insubordination or other objectionable conduct occurred, which occasioned the following action of the Court on October

17th, 1676:

Whereas Capt. Joseph Scyll hath therefore binn imployed in the countrys service, as commander of a company, & that information is given that of late he hath carried himself offencively in that place, this Court doth theffore order, that the said Scyll be forthwith dischardged from that imploy, & some other meet person appointed in his room.

[Colony Records, vol. vi. p. 126.]

I find no explanation of this in any other place, and no subsequent action by the Court concerning Capt. Sill, save that indicated in the answer to the petition below, which appears also in Colony Records, vol. v. p. 506. Mr. Hubbard's account indicates that Capt. Sill still held his command, and went with Capt. Hathorne on the march in November, 1676, to Ossipee and



Pequaket. Sometime before November 7, 1681, Capt. Sill removed to Lyme, Conn., where he was living at that date. He died at Lyme, August 6, 1696. His son Thomas was a shipmaster, lived in Boston in 1699, and was probably the Capt. Sill who died there in May, 1709.

Credited under Capt. Joseph Syll.

November 30th 1675 Samuel Gibson 00 17 00

November 50	10	(0		Samuel Gibson	00	17	0.0
Benjamin Dowse	00	14	06	William Barret, Lt.	01	03	08
Joshua Begalow		14		John Craig	00	16	02
John Bond	00	14	06	John Hastings	00	17	00
James Kellon	00	14	06	Jason Russell	00	14	06
Samuel Cutler	00	14	06	John Squire	00	14	06
George Dell	00	14	06	Samuel Buck		14	
Jonathan Smith	00	14	06	Samuel Robins		14	
Isaac Larned	00	14	02	Abraham Spencer		19	
Paul Wilson	00	14	06	Solomon Prentis		09	
Nathaniel Hely	00	14	06	John Simpull		14	
John Chadwick	00	14	06	John Melven		14	
Gershom Swan	03	00	00	John Crumwell		14	
Nath ¹ Sanger	00	14	06	John Bradshaw		05	
Samuel Peirce	04	16	00	James Holland		09	
Samuel Butterick	04	16	00	Benjamin Rice		12	
Roger Jones	04	16	00	William Crouch		19	
Joseph Syll	03	06	09	Thomas Foster		04	
December 20th 16	375			Josuah Eaton		14	
Daniel Warrin	00	10	04	February 29th 167			
Joseph Waite	00	14	06	Joseph Syll, Capt.		10	00
William Sheaf	01	03	08	Thomas Hovey		00	
Nathaniel Frothingham	00	17	00	Benjamin Russell		10	
William Bodman	00	14	06	Robert Burdall		10	
Peter Frothingham	00	14	06	John Foskett		18	
Amos Marrett	00	14	06	Obadiah Searl	01	10	00
Zachariah Brigden	00	14	06	March 24th 1675	-6		
Samuel Cooke		14		Zachariah Sawtell	02	05	0.4
William Brown		14		John Barrett	01	10	00
John Bicknell		14		Abraham Cosens	01	08	02
Thomas Moussell		04		James Wheeler	01	08	02
Timothy Cutler	00	02	06	John Gleeson	01	08	02
James Smith		02		April 24th 167	6		
Elnathan Beeres		14		Daniel Magennis	02	08	00
Nathaniel Bersham		14		Thomas Adams	01	08	05
John Oyne		14		Thomas Talley	01	06	06
Thomas Hamoud		14		William Pashly	01	12	06
John Barnard		14		Thomas Polly	00	15	04
William Richardson		17		Samuel Cleaveland	02	04	06
Thomas Rand		14		William Vines	01	09	02
Joseph Dana		14		Daniel Hudson	02	02	0.0
Thomas White		04	09	Richard Taylor	00	14	10
January 25th 1678				Jonathan Crisp	01	13	00
Andrew Stimson	00	14	06	Thomas Whitney	03	11	00
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Philip Jones		01	00	July 24th 167			
June 24th 1676		00	0.3	Joseph Clark		05	
George Adams		08		Moses Whitney		05	
Samuel Lampson		19		John Goodwin		18	
Thomas Adams		08		Samuel Damman		17	
Joseph Peirce		06		John Fisk		12	
James Bernard		05		Hopewell Davis		09	
Francis Shepheard		05		Nathaniel Kettle		18	
Ephraim Bemish		05 06		Jonathan Cary	01		
Josiah Hobbs		07		Thomas Mitchinson	02	13	
Josiah Clarson		07		Richard Woods	01		
Joseph Simons		07	10	Henry Salter	01	10	10
Sebread Taylor		06		August 24th 167		00	10
Henry Harris				John Chapman		08	
Jonathan Laurence	01	14		Jonathan Barker		06	
Joseph Lambson		05 08		Jonathan Remmington		08	
Zachariah Brigden		05		William Stephens		13	
Joseph Bickner Jacob Amsden	_	00		Ambros Mackfassett		18	
Paul Wilson		02		John Tarball		13	
William Twing		05	-	Mathew Griffin Thomas Hall		08	
		19				10	
John Chapman John Figg	01	05		Edward Smith		13	
William Gill		03		Samuel Scripture Ambros Mackfassett		04	
Simon Rogers		05		William Tarball		04	
	-	09				04	
Joseph Smith Theophilus Thornton		05		Joseph Harris	01		00
Nicholas Bullis		05		John Salter		16	
Joseph Bateman		05		Thomas Whitney Thomas Chadwick	01	04	
Ambros Mackfassett		14		Samuel Lord			10
Moses Wheat	01	10		Cornelius Church	01	13	10
Jeremiah Mosse		10		John Walker	01		
Samuel Lewis	01	10		Theophilus Philips		12	10
John Barnard	05	15		Jacob Waters		07	
Humphrey Miller		07		Thomas Parker	04	19	
Thomas Region	01	16		Ephraim Philips		04	
Timothy Cutler	-	09		Thomas Farmer	02		
Richard Griffin		07		John Barbeene	02	15	
Zechariah Brigden	01	09		Jonathan Whitney			
Joseph Needham	04			John Eliott		07	
Samuel Taylor		06		Joseph Symons	01	18	
Samuel Parry		09		Jonathan Smith	02		
James Barnard		01	-	Ellis Barron		18	
John Gåle	01	08		John Cutler	01		
Simon Stone	03	11		Samuel Perry	01	18	
John Clary		08		Benony Macktonnell		06	
Joseph Blanchard	01	08		Benjamin Symons		00	
Isaac Emsden		12		Samuel Gallup		06	
Jonathan Kettle		03		Jonathan Parker		09	
Samuel Bickner	01	15	!	Zechariah Cuttin		14	
Hopewell Davis	01	16		Henry Prentice		10	
John Miriek		03	1			06	
John Panich	02	00	00	Some officered	00	00	03



Jonathan Parker	01	01	04	John Barnard	00	18 (00
Nathaniel Greene	02	04	06	Humphrey Millard	03	01 (08
John Weld in	01	06	06	Benjamin Merifield	00	11 (00
Benjamin Burges	01	06	06	George Dill	01	16 1	10
Zechariah Padlefoot	01	06	06	John Mudg	03	12 1	10
James Atkesson	00	07	08	James Miller	00	04 (02
John Sanders	02	19	00	John Salter	00	09 (04
Joseph Lowe	02	09	08	Daniel Woodward	00	15 (04
Zacharius Brigden	01	00	06	Hopewell Davis	02	08 (00
John Bateman	02	07	00	Isaac Laurence	02	14 (00
Joseph Waight	00	15	04	James Wallis	00	14 (06
Thomas Frost	00	14	06	John Robey	01	16 (00
William Ball	00	04	02	Alexander Steward	00	04 (02
Caleb Ray als. Rey	0.0	06	10	John Parker	00	14 (06
William Butter	02	19	02	John Knight	02	14 (00
Zechariah Hicks	01	00	06	Abraham Whitaker	02	15 (08
Peter Edgerton	03	03	00	Mathew Clark	02	15 (08
Joseph Mayo	02	09	00	Nicholas Browne	02	15 (08
September 23 ^d	1676			John Hartshorn	02	15 (08
John Dunton	01	02	02	Joseph Syll, Capt.	06	00 (00
Nehemiah Tatingham	03	05	0.0	Jacob Bullard	02	04 (06
Thomas Chamberlain	01	09	02	Philip Gleson	00	17	00
Stephen Francis	01	18	03	Daniel Maginis	04	13 (00
Justinian Houlding	00	16	03	Thomas Dawby	00	14	10
Joseph Holland	02	08	10	•			

The names of those who served under Capt. Sill after September 23d, 1676, were credited in a later Journal, now lost. The following interesting document explains itself:

To the honored Generall Court assembled at Boston the Petition of Joseph Sill,

humbly sheweth

That your petitioner accounts it a great priviledge that from his childhood he hath bin trained up, and hath spent so many of his dayes under your government, and cannot without singular content and complacency call to minde, that he hath bin honoured to be called forth under your commission, to appear in the field against your enemies. in pursuance of which he did according to his mean ability serve you faithfully, and for length of time and number of expeditions, may (without ostentation be it spoken) compare with most if not any who were listed in your service; and accounts noe part of his dayes, next to those which have bin improved in the immediate service of God, so well spent as those which have bin imployed in the service of his country and the government, remaining still devoted, in all that he hath and is, unto your service, without any selfish aimes. well assured that your noble and generous inclinations are not inferior, to his who accounted that day lost in which some or other were not benefited by him, nor to his, who was displeased with such as asked no kindness from him, he must confess that he hath some ambition that it may be manifested that he is not forgotten amongst those that have



tasted of your beneficence, and humbly craves of the honoured court that you would please to grant to him a small number of acres of that land which hath bin recovered from the enimy, that so a little part of what he hath seen with his eyes and trod with his feet, in your service, may be committed into his hands, and that so he may the more comfortably share in the blessings of these peaceful days wherein men may beat theyr swords into plow shares, and your petitioner shall pray, &c.

JOSEPH SILL.

The magis^{trs} judg meet to grant the petitioner two hundred acres of Land where he can find it free; their brethren the Deputys hereto consenting.

Edward Rawson, Sec'y.

The deputyes consent not upon the consideration that this Court hath already granted a plantation of eight miles square in the nepmug countrey for the Accommodating such as were souldiers in the Late Warr with whom the petitioner may have his liberty to come in for a settlement if hee thinke good.

RICHARD SPRAGUE, pr order.

November ye 19th 1685. [Mass. Archives, vol. 70, p. 148.]



XX.

VARIOUS OFFICERS AND COMPANIES.

LIEUT, WILLIAM HASEY AND HIS COMPANY.

WILLIAM HASEY, Boston, as early as 1652, lived at "Pulling Point;" afterwards a large land-owner at Rumney-Marsh; Artillery Company, 1652; freeman (Hazzey), 1665. By wife Sarah had Esther, born about 1650, married Lieut. Henry Green of Malden, January 11, 1671, and died February 26, 1747; William, born Sept. 15, 1652; Asa, born January 1, 1655; Joseph, May 29, 1657; Susanna, May 30, 1660; Martha, baptized April 24, 1665. Lieut. Hasey married, second, May 16, 1681, Mrs. Judith, widow of Capt. Jonathan Poole. He died at Reading, May 30, 1689, aged about 70 years.

Cornet William Hasey (or Haisy), May 27, 1674, was appointed Lieutenant of the "Three County Troop," of which Edward Hutchiuson was Captain and Jonathan Poole was made at same time Cornet; in Philip's war commanded a company in the summer of 1675. I find no connection between this family

and William Hearsy of Hingham.

William, the son, married Judith, and had William, born December 21, 1679; Jacob, born August 26, 1684; Judith, Abigail, Martha; Nathaniel, March 13, 1693; and died June 7th, 1695, aged 43, leaving widow Judith, whó died November 17, 1718, aged 68 years.

Credited under Lieut. William Hasey.

October 5th 16	75			Phineas Sprague	00 18 06
Benjamin Barrett	00	18	00	John Green, Corpr.	01 02 03
James Barrett	00	18	06	John Brown, Corpr.	$01 \ 02 \ 03$
Samuel Weeden	0.0	18	06	John Eaton	00 18 06
Daniel Greenland	00	18	06	Henry Greene	00 18 06
Edward Tuttle	00	18	06	Samuel Richarson	00 18 06
Joseph Weeden	00	08	06	Thomas Peirce	00 18 06
Thomas Wheeler	01	02	03	John Gould	00 18 06
Thomas Wilson	00	18	06	Joseph Wright	00 18 06
John Greenland	0.0	13	00	John Batchelor	$00 \ 18 \ 06$
Thomas Brinknoll	00	18	06	John Kendall	00 18 06
John Green	00	18	06	Thomas Hodgman	00 18 06
William Green, Corpr.	00	15	06	Josias Brown	$00 \ 18 \ 06$



Joseph Wing	00	18	06	August 24th 16	76		
Increas Wing	00	18	06	Thomas Wheeler	00	17	00
John Brown	00	18	06	John Barrett	00	14	03
Richard Middleton	00	18	06	Increas Wing	00	14	03
Joseph Richardson	00	18	06	John Richeson	00	17	00
William Hasey, Lieut.		06		Thomas Hodgman	00	14	00
Jonathan Poole, Cornt.	01	17	02	William Greene	00	17	00
Isaac Brookes		18	06	Phineas Sprague	00	17	00
July 24th 1676				Joseph Winn	00	14	03
Nathaniel Richesson	00	14	03	Thomas Brintnall	0.0	14	03
Samuel Richeson	00	05	09	William Hasey, Lieut.	01	15	09
Stephen Richeson	00	04	03	John Kendall	00	07	00
Isaac Brooks	00	01	06	September 23 ^d 1	676		
John Eaton	00	14	03	John Waite	00	14	00
Thomas Peirce	00	14	03	John Greene	00	14	00
			1	Thomas Gery	00	14	03

CAPT. NICHOLAS MANNING, OF IPSWICH, AND HIS MEN.

Capt. Nicholas Manning was the son of Richard Manning, of Dartmouth, co. Devon, England, and Anstiss (Calley), and was born there June 23d, 1644. He came to Salem (perhaps as mariner) and married Elizabeth, widow of Robert Gray, June 23d, 1663, and had children—Thomas, Nicholas, Margaret, John, born between 1664 and 1668, and all died young. His mother Anstiss, then a widow, came to Salem in 1679, with six children, of whom Thomas, born February 11, 1664 (the youngest brother of Nicholas), was the ancestor (gr. grandfather) of Elizabeth Clarke Manning, mother of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the eminent author. Nicholas served in the Mount Hope campaign, June, 1675, in Capt. Paige's Troop, was also in command of a company that marched out to Narraganset to recruit the army after the Great Swamp Fight. His nephew Samuel inherited his Narraganset claim.

He was an adherent of the Andros government, and under that was appointed to a judgeship on the Kennebee River, and upon Andros's overthrow he was arrested and imprisoned as one of his

followers.

Credited under Capt. Nicholas Manning.

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February 29th 16	75 - 6		1	Samuel Smith	01	10	00
Richard Scott				Ezekiel Mihill	01	10	00
John Ballard	01	16	00	Daniel Gobeley	01	10	00
AnthonyNeedham, Lieu				Beckett	01	10	00
Stephen Henrick	01	10	00	April 24th 1	1676		
Thomas Raymond	01	10	00	Samuel Varnam	02	00	00
Richard George		10	00	John Rugles	05	16	00
March 24th 16	75			June 24th 1	676		
Abiel Lamb	04	10	00	John Wheeler	01	10	00
John Pickard	01	10	00	Resolved White	02	10	00



John Chapman	04 10 00	Robert Kinsman	01 10 00)
Edward Colcord	02 00 00	Nicholas Manning, Capt	.18 00 00)
Richard Norman	01 10 00	Jonathan Fairbanks	04 10 00)
Thomas Fuller	01 10 00	Alwin Breed	01 10 00)
Ebenezer Prout	04 10 00	Caleb Kemball	01 10 00)
John Spauldin	02 00 00	Elihu Wardall	01 10 00)
William Rayment	01 16 00	July 24th 1676		
Christopher Palmer	01 08 07	James Kidd	01 14 00)
Jonathan Moore	01 12 10	Henry Farrar	02 10 00)
John Lewis	01 16 00	August 24th 167	6	
Samuel Johnson	01 10 00	Benjamin White	04 10 00)
Nathaniel Kirkland	01 16 00	——— Palmer	02 08 00)
Joseph Collins	01 10 00	Joseph Smith	02 00 00)
Samuel Hartwell	01 10 00	-		

CAPT. JONATHAN REMINGTON AND HIS MEN.

Jonathan Remington was the son of John of Newbury, 1637. and was born February 12, 1639; settled in Cambridge and married Martha Belcher, daughter of Andrew, July 13th, 1664, and had Martha, born February 18, 1666-7, died April 23, 1669; Jonathan, born March 17, 1668-9, died April 16, 1669; Martha, born October 28, 1674, married Capt. Nicholas Bowes of Boston, January 19, 1718-19; Jonathan, born September 25, 1677; Samuel, born July 11, 1679, died June 3d, 1680; Anna, born January 30, 1680-81, married John Hill, June 24th, 1708; John and Mary, who died 1689 and 1690; Elizabeth, had a share in the estate; Sarah, born May 10, 1688, married John Biscoe of Watertown, February 1, 1710-11. Was prominent in public and especially in military affairs, and from 1682 till his death kept the original "Blue Anchor Tavern," Cambridge. He held the position of corporal in the local military company at Cambridge, and was in command of a company during the winter and spring of 1675-6. He was active in the later Indian war, in 1689 at Groton, and in 1691 at Wells and in the eastward parts. He died April 21, 1700, leaving his widow Martha, who died July 16, 1711, and through his son Jonathan left a notable and numerous posterity. He served with the Cambridge men under Capt. Davenport in the Narraganset campaign, and was in the Swamp fight. In the winter following he was active in the command and supply of some of the garrisons in the interior towns, and was ordered, March 11, 1675-6, to leave "the garrison" and march his soldiers home. His son Jonathan inherited his Narraganset claim.

Credited under Captain Jonathan Remington

April 24th 167	6	William Bi	shop 03 06 00
John King	03 15	00 Peter Hand	hett 04 10 10
Aaron Jaques	03 06	00 William Ha	ywood 04 10 10
Joseph Gridley	03 17	00 ! Caleb Jack	son 04 10 00



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Tobiah Redman	02	07	02			06	
William Brown	01	16	00	Richard Sawtell	03	06	00
Robert Wills	04	17	06	Thomas Thorp	03	06	00
John Burrows	02	07	02	June 24th 1676			
Jeremiah Hood	04	10	10	John Hollis	04	10	10
Francis Cooke	04	09	10	Samuel Williams)	05	01	00
William Smith	02	07	02	and his man	00	UI	00
John Parrum	03	06	00				

LIEUT. NATHANIEL REYNOLDS AND HIS MEN.

Nathaniel Reynolds, born in England, was the son of Robert and Mary, of Boston as early as 1632. He married Sarah Dwight of Dedham, November 30, 1657. She died July 8, 1663, and he married Priscilla Brackett, of Boston, before February 21, 1666. Children of Sarah, first wife,—Sarah, born July 26, 1659, married John Fosdick; Mary, born November 20, 1660, died aged 2 years, 2 months; Nathaniel, born March 3, 1662–3. By second wife—John, born August 4, 1668, died 1757, aged 88 years; Peter, born January 26, 1670; Philip, born September 15, 1672, died young; Joseph, born January 9, 1677, died January 16, 1759, aged 82 years 7 days; Hannah, born January 15, 1682, married Samuel Royall; Mary, born 1684? married Nathaniel Woodbury; Benjamin, born May 10, 1686 (in Bristol); Ruth, born Dec. 9, 1688, married Josiah Cary.

He was of the Artillery Company 1658, and admitted freeman 1665. He was in command of the garrison at Chelmsford in the fall and winter of 1675-6, and on February 25th the inhabitants petition the Court that he be allowed to remain, with his soldiers, for their protection. He removed to Bristol, R.I., after the war, and was prominent in the organization and development of that town.

Credited under Lieut. Nath! Reynolds.

April 24th 16	76	Thomas Staey	03 15 04
Thomas Wiborn	00 18 00	David Couch	$03 \ 15 \ 04$
June 24th 167	76	Joseph Bicknell	00 12 00
Michael Bastow	00 18 00	Joseph Bateman	00 12 00
Humphrey Miller	02 18 00	William Twing	02 08 00
John Sergeant	00 12 00	James Burrell	$02 \ 03 \ 08$
Zibeon Leatherland	00 12 00	Robert Mason	00 12 04
Digory Sergeant	$02 \ 10 \ 06$	Ephraim Mosse	
Joseph Saxton	00 12 00	July 24th	1676
Azbin Morris	00 12 00	Samuel Peacock	00 14 00
James Mecranell	01 04 00	August 24 th	1676
Joseph Lamson	00 12 00	Nath'l Reynolds, Li	eut. 04 05 00



CAPT. JOHN HOLBROOKE, OF WEYMOUTH, AND HIS MEN.

Capt. John Holbrooke was the son of Thomas, and the following list from the N. England Hist. and Gen. Register, Vol. xxv. p. 14, serves to fix the date of the family's arrival at Weymouth, Mass.

Waymouth [England] ye 20th of March 1635 [-6] Bound for New England

[No] 66 Thomas Holbrooke of Broudway aged 34: yeare

67 Jane Holbrooke his wife aged 34 Yeare68 John Holbrooke his sonne aged 11 yeare

69 Thomas Holbrooke his sonne aged 10 yeare

70 Anne Holbrooke his daught aged 5 years

71 Elizabeth Holbrooke his daught aged 1 yeare.

All the data we have concerning Capt. John show the above age to have been some six years less than that given upon his gravestone, and to have been incompatible with many points in his history. He married Elizabeth Stream, who died June 25th, 1688, aged 64 years; and second, widow Mary Loring, who survived him. His children were — John, married Abigail Pierce, daughter of Capt. Michael; a daughter, married Simon Whitmarsh; Abiezer; Hannah, married Ephraim Pierce, son of Capt. Michael; Grace, married Joseph Nash of Boston; Samuel; Lois and Eunice, twins; Eunice, married Benjamin Ludden; Experience, married Joseph Edson; Ichabod, married Sarah Turner.

Capt. Holbrooke was a very enterprising man of business, and his real estate operations were quite extensive for his day. He was also prominent in military affairs, was Lieutenant of the local company, and, August 8th, 1664, was chosen to go upon some service as Lieutenant in the company of Capt. Hudson, but his wife and family being sick at the time, Ensign John Thurston, of Hingham, was appointed in his stead. In the time of Philip's war he was in command of the local company, and in the spring of 1676 was appointed to command one of the companies raised and sent out to suppress the "Insolencies" of the Indians and to "range the woods towards Hassanamesit." The following papers pertain to that service. Capt. Holbrooke died November 23, 1699, leaving a large estate to his numerous heirs.

Concord ye 29th of Aprill 1676

Honrd Sirs,

According to orders I have obtained here to Concord & this Day have mustered my Company, And have here send the list of those that not appear according to order likewise the names of them y' are here now of my Companey, which are but very Small which is a great Discouragement to me, therefore my humble request is that I may have my Company made up accordinge to my order of 80 men or else y' I



may be Dismissed which I have mention to yo' Honno" alreadye Iff I should not have a full Company. Some nessarys, I want for the Company I have neither Drume nor Collors, which I Desire that If you thinke it fitt to send me Either houe-boye or a Drumpiter which is very requisitt, having nothing Else att present & remaine

Your Honnors Most humble Servant

JOHN HOLBROOK.

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 239.

The following paper is doubtless the list referred to:

These are to Certific ye Hond Major Generall Denison or whome it may Conserne Being ordered to take 82 men under my Command together with 28 horses & 14 men to tend them, viz. being order by Major Clarke

39 men from Boston 4 horses 2 men

9 men from Roxbury 4 horses 2 men

9 men from Dorchester 4 horses 2 men 6 men from Dedham 4 horses 2 men

7 men from Brantry 4 horses 2 men

6 men from Weymouth 4 horses 2 men

6 men from Hingham 4 horses 2 men

Defects from Boston for non-appearance Jn° Pemerton, Jn° Porter & Richard Knight From Dorchester non-appearance, Consider Atherton, Henry Wedarton [Withington]. Ebezar Clape. From Waymouth, Zachary Gorney. From Hingham, Jn° Feres & Arthur Sherman.

n me John Holdbrooke Cap°

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 12.

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Credited under Capt. John Holbrooke.

June 24th 167	6	Jeremiah Conah	$03 \ 02 \ 06$
Daniel Adams	01 16 00	Benjamin Molton	$03 \ 02 \ 06$
Samuel Adams	01 04 00	Benjamin Bates	05 15 10
Denis Sihy	$02 \ 10 \ 00$	James Atkins	$01 \ 15 \ 00$
August 24th 16	76	Samuel Blake	03 10 08
Samuel Davis	$02 \ 00 \ 00$	Thomas William	01 10 00
Joseph Lyon	01 11 08	Isaac How	01 01 04
Moses Knapp	03 10 00	Samuel Spencer	01 01 04
Roger Prosser	00 13 08	Caleb Rey	01 14 02
Paul Gilford	02 19 00	John Whitney	00 18 00
Daniel Adams	04 12 01	John Ellenworth	01 11 08
Joseph Walters	04 10 00	Sept 23d 1676	
John Scott	00 14 06	Joseph Tucker	03 05 00
John Plum	01 10 00	Thomas Hoppen	01 12 06
John Harker	03 12 00	James Hadlock	$02 \ 08 \ 00$
John Randall	01 11 08	Thomas Bull	04 07 06
Samuel Wales	01 12 06	John Craft	02 14 10
James Sinkler	03 02 06	Benjamin Merifield	03 01 08



Joshuah Child	01 10 00	Daniel Harris	01 11 08
Richard Puffer	02 01 00	William Field	03 00 00
John Parker	03 01 08	Thomas Betell	04 02 00
Benjamin Phillips	01 10 10	John Holbrooke, Capt.	16 01 03
William Deane	01 15 08		

CAPT. JOHN WHIPPLE, OF IPSWICH, AND HIS MEN.

The Whipple family in this country undoubtedly descended from Matthew Whipple of Bocking, co. Essex, England, a clothier. Will of December 19th, 1616, probated January 28th, 1618, mentions son Matthew, son John, daughters Jane, Elizabeth, Mary, Anne, Johane, Amye; "my sister, wife of Richard Rathbone; Hercules Stephens, grandchildren Hercules and Margaret Arthur and Henry and Anne Coldham."

The two brothers Matthew and John, who were settled at Ipswich some time before 1638, were probably the sons mentioned above. They settled at the "Hamlet," now the town of Hamilton. John was a deacon or ruling elder of the First Church. He was freeman 1640, and representative for eight years between that and 1653. By first wife he had children

- Mary, John, Susanna, Sarah, and probably others.

Capt. John, son of "Elder" John, as above, born in Essex, England, about 1626, married, first, Martha Reyner, daughter of Humphrey, who died February 24, 1679; married, second, Elizabeth Paine, June 28th, 1680. By first wife had children — John, born July 15, 1657; Matthew, born 1658; Joseph, born June 8, 1666; Susan, Sarah and Anna. He was appointed Cornet of the Ipswich troop before 1675, and Captain in 1683 in place of Capt. John Appleton. He was Lieutenant in Capt. Paige's Troop at Mount Hope, June, 1675, and was appointed Captain of a troop raised for service under Major Savage in March, 1676; was with the army in the unsuccessful manouvring of that campaign. In the letter of the Council to Mayor Savage, dated April 1st, 1676, is found the passage, "Touching that Rebuke of God upon Cap' Whiple and ye poore people at Springfield it is a matter of great shame and humbling to us." This was in answer to one from Major Savage of March 28th, dated at Hadley, in which he says that they have had advice from Springfield that eight Indians assaulted sixteen or eighteen men. besides women and children, as they were going to meeting from a place called Long Meadow, "and killed a man and a maid, wounded two men, and carried away captive two women and two children." One of the men killed was John Keep. Mrs. Sarah Keep, his wife, was one of those captured with her child, and died soon from her wounds. Major Savage says, further, that being apprised of that affair and the way the Indians went, he sent out sixteen men in pursuit, who came up with the Indians, who, as soon as they found the English in close pursuit, killed



the two children, and striking the women with their hatchets upon the head, left them for dead and fled. The horsemen brought back the four bodies, the women being yet alive; one recovered; and this disaster was a severe reproach to the guard, who in a popular rhyme of the day are remembered thus:

> "Seven Indians, and one without a gun, Caused Capt. Nixon and forty men to run."

I am inclined to think that by the Council, Capt. Whipple, as commander of the troop, and perhaps at that time with them, was held responsible for the disaster. I know nothing of Capt. "Nixon."

Credited under Capt. John Whipple of Ipswich.

June 24th 1676	6			Samuel Chapman	03	07	02
John Dodge	03	08	06	July 24th 16	76		
Marke Hascall	03	08	06	Joseph Taylor	03	08	06
William Smith	03	07	00	James Hobbs	03	10	00
Richard Child	03	08	06	Timothy Bread	03	08	90
Thomas Leaver	03	08	06	William Dellow	03	08	06
Samuel Smith	03	08	06	Henry Kenny	03	08	06
Daniel Wycome, Qr. M.	:.05	02	09	James Lowden	00	10	00
Joseph Cask	03	08	0.6	Joseph Eaton	03	08	06
John Rayment	03	00	00	August 24 th	1676		
Thadeus Berry	03	08	96	Thomas Brintnall	03	08	06
Moses Cleaveland	03	08	06	Thomas Hodgman	00	17	00
John Sawin	03	08	06	John Whipple, Capt.	13	14	03
John Stone	03	08	06	Edward Neland	03	08	06
Samuel Stearnes	03	08	06	Samuel Giddings	09	16	05
John Wait	03	10	00	Thomas Andrews	03	06	08
Samuel Cooper	02	01	0.0	Ephraim Fellows	03	19	00
James Tenney	02	01	00	September 23 ^d	1676		
Samuel Ladd	04	02	00	John Browne	04	02	00
Christopher Palmer	04	02	04				

CAPT. JOHN JACOB, OF HINGHAM, AND HIS MEN.

Capt. John Jacob was the son of Nicholas, who came from Old Hingham, England, to Hingham, Mass., in 1633, with wife Mary and children John and Elizabeth; and there had Josiah, Joseph, born May 10, 1646, and four daughters. Nicholas was representa-

tive in 1648 and 1649, and died June 5th, 1657.

Capt. John, born in England, married Margery Eames, October 20, 1653, and had children—John, born October 20, 1654, who, April 19, 1676, was killed by the Indians near his father's house, in what is now South Hingham; Mary, born March 21, 1656; Sarah, born Sept. 29, 1657; Benjamin, April 2, 1659. First wife died April 7, 1659, and he married, second, October 3, 1661, Mary Russell, daughter of George, and had Jael, born September 7, 1662; David, born June 20, 1664; Elizabeth, born April 11, 1666; Peter, born February 12, 1668; Hannah, born



December 26, 1669; Samuel, born November 30, 1671; Deborah. born May 15, 1674, died soon; Deborah, 2d, born August 8, 1677; John. 2d. born July 31, 1679; Lydia, born April 18, 1681; Abigail, born Nov. 13, 1683. His will, probated Dec. 31, 1693, names his twelve living children, four sons and eight daughters. He was very active and influential. His house was fortified as a garrison by order of the General Court, Feb. 25, 1676. He was in command of a foot-company of about eighty men at Medfield. when, on Feb. 21, 1676-7, the town was attacked by a large body of Indians and partially destroyed. There were, besides this company of Capt. Jacob, a detachment of twenty troopers under command of Lieut. Edward Oakes, and the "train-band" of the town, about one hundred in number. These were quartered about the town in the various houses, and there were no scouts about the town to keep watch and ward, and the enemy crept in and about the houses, and just before daylight, at a given signal, fired the detached houses, near which they had placed ambuscades, and when the people and the soldiers quartered there, rushed out, they were shot down. The main guard, stationed near the meeting-house, had a cannon which they fired several times, which alarmed the inhabitants and probably frightened the enemy, who fled across the river towards Sherburne, burning the bridge behind them, thus cutting off the slow and clumsy pursuit of the scattered troops. The fullest account of this affair is given by Major Daniel Gookin in his "History of the Christian Indians." He says the Indians burnt about forty houses, near half the town, and killed and wounded about twenty people. Among the killed was Lieut. Henry Adams, the military officer of the town. After the lieutenant's death, his widow Elizabeth had been taken to the house of the minister, the Rev. Mr. Wilson, near the meeting-house, and here a very sad and strange accident occurred; for Mrs. Adams, who had retired to the chamber, and was lying upon a bed just over the room below, in which Capt. Jacob and some of the officers and guards were gathered, was killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hand of Capt. Jacob, just as he was passing out of the house to his quarters, and having his gun "half-bent," i.e. at half-cock, the muzzle pointing upward, the bullet piercing through "the floor and mat through and through the body of the lieutenant's widow." He was with Capt. Johnson in the Narraganset campaign, and, on the Captain's death, was appointed to the command of the company. He was afterwards engaged during the winter, with Capt. Wadsworth, in guarding the frontiers from Milton to the Plymouth Colony bounds, Weymouth, Hingham and Hull being assigned in particular to Capt. Jacob. John, 2d, inherited his Narraganset claim.

IIt is probable that in the "Fort Fight" Licut. Henry Bowen, if present, took the command after the Captain feil, as was proper, but Capt. Jacob was appointed to fill the place afterward, as were other senior otheres, in the other companies.



Credited under Capt. John Jacob, of Hingham.1

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March 24th 1	675-6	John Sibly	
Nathaniel Beales	01 09 06	July 24th 1	676
April 24th 1	675	John Taylor	00 16 09
William Williams	00 05 00	Ebenezer Inglesby	00 10 02
James Taylor	01 04 00	William Bodkin	$00 \ 10 \ 02$
June 24th 16	76	August 24th	1676
Thomas Davis	00 09 05	Elisha Foster	00 10 02
William Field	00 12 00	Anthony Hancock	00 10 02
Benjamin Bignall	00 09 02	Edward Blancher	00 10 02
John Battle	00 12 00	John Howen	00 10 03
Jeremiah Fisher	00 12 00	John Plumb	00 10 02
Benjamin Wight	00 12 00	Samuel Paule	$00 \ 15 \ 02$
Ephraim Wilson	00 12 00	David Fawkner	00 10 02
John Thurston	00 12 00	John Wells, Jr.	00 10 02
Nathaniel Farrington	00 12 00	Henry Bowen	00 15 00
Edward Segwell	00 12 00	John Jacobs	09 17 00
John Gray	00 12 00	William Paine	00 10 02
John Cuckow	00 04 02	Thomas Hoppin	$02 \ 18 \ 02$
John Herring	00 05 00	Gilbert Endicott	00 10 02
John Richardson	03 07 08	Joseph Swady	00 10 02
Alexander Mecanny	04 16 00	September 23	
John Nowell	00 09 02	Isaac Jones	
Humphrey Richards	00 12 00		

CAPT, JOHN CUTLER AND HIS MEN.

Capt. John Cutler was the son of Robert (of Charlestown in 1637, freeman 1638) and Rebecca his wife. John was probably born in England about 1628. He married, first, Anna Woodmansey, daughter of Robert and Anna. She died August 20, 1683, in her 57th year, and he married, second, Mehitable Hilton, October 29, 1684. She died September 29, 1711, having survived the captain, who died September 12th, 1694, in his 66th year. His children, all by his first wife, were — John; Timothy: Sarah, born October 20, 1655, married Eleazer Phillips, 1695–6; Samuel, born March 6, 1658; Hannah, married Daniel Willard, 1683; Robert, born November 15, 1663, died in Barbadoes August 30, 1683; Rebecca, born November 5, 1666, married Josiah Bennett; Mary, born November 20, 1669, died 1703.

Capt. Cutler was engaged during the war, on various occasions, in conducting supply trains to the garrisons, and at the time of Capt. Wadsworth's destruction at Sudbury, April 21, 1676, narrowly escaped being cut off with his company returning from Marlborough. He was in command of a company under Capt. Henchman the next month at Hassanamesit.

¹ See also credits of March and April, 1676, under Capt. Johnson.



Credited under Capt. John Cutler.

June 24 1676				Thomas Micheson	01	04	10
Zachariah Feres	00	09	04	Henry Philips	01	04	00
William Green	00	12	0.0	Thomas White	00	14	00
John Wilson	00	14	00	William Browne	00	15	04
Joseph Pratt	00	15	04	Christopher Goodwin	00	16	02
Daniel Edmunds	02	06	08	Zeckeriah Johnson	00	18	10
John Watson	00	14	00	Isaac Johnson	00	05	02
Josiah Wood	01	07	04	Joseph Frost	00	10	00
John Dows	00	14	00	Samuel Hayward	00	09	04
William Whiting	01	07	04	John Martin	00	09	04
Samuel Blancher	00	12	10	Robert Carter	00	09	04
Timothy Philips	01	14	10	James Nichols	00	08	06
Giles Fifield	00	04	0.0	John Winslade	00	09	04
John Fosdicke	0.0	12	10	William Laroby	00	09	04
Samuel Peirce	00	09	04	Jonathan Stimpson	00	02	06
Samuel Cutler	01	04	10	George Woodward	0.0	07	08
Joshuah als. Josiah Ber	1-			Thomas Whitney	00	02	06
jamin	00	12	0.0	William Goddard	0.0	09	04
Daniel Baldwin	00	03	04	Samuel Prentice	00	09	01
John Cutler, Leiut.	03	15	00	Joshuah Edmands	00	06	10
Nathaniel Rand	01	03	04	August 24th 10	676		
Matthew Griffin	00	15	04	Edward Smith		06	10
Samuel Frothingham	00	16	02	John Lee	00	02	06
Nathaniel Douse	01	07	04	Edward Goff	01	13	04
Thomas Rand	01	04	10	Hugh Taylor	00	18	00
George Polly	00	09	04	Isaac Beech	00	09	04
Edward Wilson	00	09	00	David Mead	00	09	04
Josiah Smith	00	12	10	John Dowgin	00	09	04
James Smith	00	18	08	John Whitney	00	02	06
John Smith	00	03	04	Nathaniel Fisk	00	02	06
William Clough	00	14	00	Ephraim Phillips	00	09	04
Nathaniel Frothingham	00	02	06	William Rider	00	10	02
John Call (2 credits)	00	19	00	Daniel Willard	00	14	06
Munning Sawin	00	12	00	Christopher Muschin	00	09	04
Eleazer Beares	00	12	00	Samuel Cooper	00	12	00
Joseph Parker	00	08	00	William Price	00	09	04
John Barrett	00	06	0.6	September 23 ^d 1	676		
July 24 1676				Aaron Cleaveland	00	02	06
John Begello	00	09	00	Thomas Hammond	0.0	10	02
Isaac Fowl	0.0	12	00	John Kemball	00	02	06
John Dickson	01	01	04	John Stedman	00	03	0.0
Robert Robin	00	09	04	David Alexander	00	10	02
Stephen Coolidg	00	02	06	Alexander Wait	00	09	().1
John Edes	00	09	08	John Melvin	0.0	10	0.2
Phillip Russell	02	06	00	Thomas Fiske	00	10	02
Daniel Warren	00	09	08	Samuel Peirce	00	12	00
John Jones	00	09	0.4	John Brookes	00	15	06
Nathaniel Kittle	00	11		John Walker	00	0.0	04
Samuel Gibson	00	03	04	Jonathan Smith	00	09	01



LIEUT. PHINEAS UPHAM AND HIS COMMAND.

Lieut. Phineas Upham was the son of John Upham, who, about the year 1635, settled in Weymouth, having wife Elizabeth and several children. Phineas was born in 1635 or 1636. About 1648 his father removed to Malden, and there the son grew up; and there he married. April 14, 1658, Ruth Wood; and they had children: Phineas. Nathaniel, Ruth. John, Elizabeth and probably Richard and Thomas. Lieut. Upham was a man of more than ordinary ability and influence, as the records, and references to his public services in places of trust, prove. At the breaking out of the war he held the rank of Lieutenant in the local company.

He was in command of men, and in service during the latter part of the summer; and in September, 1675, led a company of thirty-eight men out to Mendon to meet Capt. John Gorham of Plymouth Colony, and the account of their service on that

occasion is explained in the following letters:

Letter of Lt. Phineas Upham to the Governer and Council.

From Mendum, ye 1st: Octob: 1675.
Honerd Govine: & Councill.

These are to certify your worships that Capt. Gorum with myselfe & our Souldiers of both Company are in good health at prest through

mercy;

And to give your honer an account of our seaverell marches; first we Came to Mendum one the 25th day of the weeke at night being the 24th day of September and one the 25th day we marched from Mendum unto Hassanemisett hoping there to have had an Indian for our guide; butt the Indians were all gone from thence; and were thereby disapoynted of our expectation & one the next day we marched unto Packachoug where we found a feild of good corn and well fenced: which we did think convenient not to destroy: Concluding that for ought we Knew Sum of the neeriest of our Inhabitance would be willing to save itt; butt we could not finde any Indians neither the signe of any being there of late and we marched from thence unto Manchoag and Chobanamagungamung where we found sum cornfeilds and sum wigwams, which Corn and wigwams we burnt and destroyed butt (we did not) finde any of our enimies which was a greate discouragement to us, having taken soe much paynes to finde them; then we Returned and marched to an Indian Plantation called Shockebogue where we Could not finde any Indians butt found a Considerable quantity of Good Corne which we did not destroy butt Reserved itt at the Request of Sum of Mendum who thinke to fetch itt home for there use; and from thence we Came to Mendum one the 30th of Septbr: now seeing in all our marches we finde noe Indians verily thinke thatt thay are drawne together into greate bodyes far Remote from those partes:

If your honers please to send us one any further Service I hope we shall not be unwilling but forwards to doe our uttermost Indeavours with all desiring that you would be pleased to add unto our number



seeing that besides the Garrison men which must be left heere in garrison we have butt 30 men besides my Selfe, Capt. Gorum being now in his march to Mounthope and If we goe further we desir thatt we may have a Surgeon and some other thatt may be acquainted with the woodes where you Sende us the want of weh hath beene a discouragement to our men: And as for the town of Mendum I am desired to Commend the desolate condition of ymunto you honers: Severall of there Inhabitance being removed from them: and those in garrison being butt poore helps in divers respects and in number but 12 men, with theire armes very defective.

The plantation is very Remotte & therefore soe much the more stands in neede of helpe; itt is very Likely to be a prosperous place if itt please God to putt an Ishue to thes troubles and therefore it is the more pitty to have itt deserted by there people: who think it must be If they have nott sum assistance they hope: 20: men well fitted with this one Returned might be sufishent If your honers se Causs; and further they desired to acquainte your honers that ye Indians of Hassanamisett which your honers apoynted to set down with them have desertted there one town and come not to that at Mendum And

soe nott havening any more to troublee your honers with

I Rest your Hon's
To Command
PHINEHAS UPHAM,
Liftenantt.

Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 275.

Letter of Capt John Gorum to Govor & Councill.

Mendum Octob: th: 1:1675.

Much Honrd my servis with all due Respeckts humbly presented to yourselfe and the rest of the Counsill hoping of your helths I have made bold to troble you with these few lines to give your honnors an account of our progress in your Jurisdiction: According unto your honers order and detirmination I arived at Mendum with fifty men and the next day Leftennant Upham arived with thirty-eight men and the day following wee joyned our forces together and marched in pesuite to ffind our Enniny; but God hath bin pleased to denigh us any oppertunity therein; though with much Labor and travill we have indeavored to find them out which Left. Upham hath given you a more particular acount: our Solders being much worne out having bin in the ffeeld this foretene weeks and little hoops of finding the Enimy, we are this day Returning towards our Genrall: but as for my one part I shall be Redy to sarve God and the Country in this just warr soe long as I have life and helth. Not Else to troble you I Rest yours to Sarve in what I am able.

Mass. Archives, vol. 67.

JOHN GORUM.

From Mendon Lieut. Upham marched his company to Brookfield, towards Springfield, where he was ordered by the Court to report to Capt. Wayte, who was expected to command a company in the service under Major John Pynchon, and that arrangement failing, he was assigned to the command of Capt. Jonathan



Poole, with whom he joined forces and marched to Hadley before October 12th. He was formally placed under command of Capt. Poole in the organization of the army under Major Appleton, and served thus, in the stirring events of the weeks following.

November 20th, he was credited as Lieutenant under Capt. Poole, £06. 19. 04. He returned home when the army withdrew from the west; but joined the forces at Narraganset, probably after the muster at Dedham, December 10th. He was assigned to Capt. Johnson's company, and after that gallant officer's fall, was himself fatally wounded, at the head of the company, inside the fort. He was among the wounded at Rhode Island, January 6, 1675-6. He died at Boston, October, 1676, and October 12, 1676, the court issued the following order:

Order of the General Court.

October 12, 1676. In answer to the peticon of Ruth Upham, widdow & relict of the late Left. Phineas Upham, the Court Judgeth it meet to order, that the bills of charges to chirurgeons, doct¹⁸ & diet, mentioned in sajd peticon, be p⁴ by the Treasurer of the country; and in consideration of the long and good service hir husband did for the country, & the greate losse the widdow susteynes in his death, being left with seven small children, & not able to carry on their affaires for the support of hirself & family, doe further order the Treasurer to pay unto the sajd widdow tenn pounds in or as money.

Items, Treasurer to pay,	£	S	d
Mr. Chickering bill	2	14	08
Edward Ellis, Chir	2	10	00
Mr. Addington	1	03	05
Dr. Cooke	1	05	00
Mrs. Peirc for diet	4	18	00
To ye Widdow	10	00	00
Secretary Allowance	40	00	00
Records Vol V n 199			

Col. Records, Vol. V. p. 122.

Credited under Lieut. Upham

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December	$20^{\text{th}}\ 1675$	June 24th 167	6	
Robert Skelton	01 01 04	John Hall	01 00	00
Robert Bardall	02 02 00		76	
John Shaw	00 10 02	Thomas Hoppin	00 07	08

I have found that the men who served under him were mostly paid off under the vouchers of Capt Poole; and after the fight at Narraganset he was never again able to take command.

CAPT. SAMUEL HUNTING.

He was the son of John Hunting of Dedham, and was born July 22, 1640. He settled first at Chelmsford and later at Charlestown. Married Hannah Hackburne of Roxbury Dec. 24, 1662. They had ten children born at Charlestown between 1662



and 1687, of whom all but three died in childhood. Those who lived were Samuel, born July 15, 1666, married, and settled in Charlestown and had a family; Mercy, baptized March 13, 1681-2, married Benjamin Frothingham, 1704; Hannah, baptized Dec. 3, 1682, married Samuel Frothingham, 1704. Captain Hunting was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun August 19, 1701, aged sixty years.

We have seen that there was in the Massachusetts Colony great opposition to the employment of friendly Indians in the war, while Connecticut, constantly making use of them, had been spared the terrible losses which had befallen the others.

At last, grown wise by bitter experience, the Massachusetts Council determined to stem the tide of popular opposition, and equip and send forth a company of Christian Indians, to try if the devastations of the enemy along the frontiers could be checked. In pursuance of this order, April 21, 1676, Capt. Samuel Hunting and Lieut. James Richardson drew up and furnished their company of forty Indians at Charlestown. They were ordered first to march up the Merrimac to near Chelinsford, and there to build a fort and settle a garrison at the great falls, which was a famous fishing-place; they were to scout and guard, etc.; but before they marched, and about mid-day, came the news of the attack of the great body of Indians upon Sudbury. Captain Hunting with his company marched away to Sudbury and rendered service, as has been related in the chapter relating to the Sudbury fight. The service here rendered did much to abate the hostility against the Christian Indians, and they were thenceforward in constant service in all the expeditions while the war lasted, and Captain Hunting's company was soon made up to eighty men, who were furnished with arms sent over from England.

From the time that Captain Hunting's company took the field, the enemy lost heart, evidently fearing them more than the whole armies of English, which they could easily elude, or ambush or mislead. In the summer of 1676 this company took captive or killed about four hundred of the enemy, and did nearly all the effective work against the enemy in the closing operations of the war. The services of Captain Hunting and his company at the eastward and elsewhere have been incidentally related.

Credited under Capt. Hunting.

Samuel Hunting, Capt. 21	00 00	William Browne	01 05 08
James Richeson, Lieut. 10	10 00	Andrew Robinson	02 15 06
Nathaniel Dunklin 05	05 00	Thomas Frost	03 01 08
Sept. 23, 1676		Jacob Farar	02 18 00
Benjamin Collins 01	08 06	Thomas Peach	02 07 00
John Deverieks 01 (08 06 1		

In general, accounts were not kept with the Indians.

LIEUT. EDWARD CREEKE.

Lieut. Creeke was of Boston, of the Artillery Co., 1674. Served with Capt. Turner in the west, and led home the remnant

of his company after that officer's death.

In October, 1676, he was in command of a force of thirty-four men at a garrison in Wells. No credit is found for these, but one of the soldiers in the western campaign secured his credit under Lieut. Creeke, viz.:

August 24, 1676 John Gilbert 05 09 08

CAPT. GEORGE CORWIN, OR CURWEN.

Capt. Corwin came from England with wife Elizabeth (White, widow of John), and settled at Salem in 1638. Their children were: Abigail. b. Aug. 1, 1637; John, b. July 25, 1638; Jonathan, b. Nov. 14, 1640; Abigail 2d, b. Nov. 30, 1643; Hannah, bapt. Jan. 4, 1646; and Elizabeth, July 2, 1648. This wife Elizabeth died July 15, 1668, and he married, 2d, July 22, 1669, Mrs. Elizabeth Brooks, widow of Robert, of Plymouth, and daughter of Gov. Edward Winslow, and by her had: Penelope, b. Aug. 7, 1670; Susannah, b. Oct. 10, 1672; George, b. 1674. Capt. Corwin was a deputy from Salem many times, was a man of ability and influence, and was very popular. He was chosen to the command of the troop raised at Salem and Lynn, and was commissioned October 8, 1662.

In Philip's war, the only active service which I have found referred to him appears in the Colonial Records, Vol. V. p. 90. At the session of the Court May 5, 1676, Capt. Corwin was presented for the "evil example of his demeanor and carriage" towards Capt. Henchman, under whose command he was serving, with his troop in the spring of 1677. He was reduced from his command with a severe reprimand, and fined one hundred pounds. The following September he was, upon the petition of his troopers, reinstated in his command; and in 1679–80 the court remitted his fine. He died in Salem, January 3, 1684–5.

Credited under Capt. George Corwin.

Júly 24, 1676				Sept. 23, 1676	3.		
John Dodge				Benjamin Collins	00	11	05
William Dodge	0.0	10	00	John Putnam	01	08	07
Zechariah Henrick	00	10	00	Henry Kenney	00	11	05
				Geo. Corwin, Capt.	02	05	00

Capt. EZEKIEL GILMAN of Boston, 1675, served under Capt. Oliver as Sergt. in the Narraganset campaign; was wounded at the fight; was at Rhode Island January 6th, 1675-6. He was



out again under Capt. Turner in the spring, serving as Sergt. In the Settlement he is styled "Capt."

Credits under Cant. Gilman.

June 24, 1	.676	John Johnson	00 02 06
Amos Singleterry	00 05 00	Robert Swann	00 11 10
Nathaniel Lad	00 05 00	Daniel Lad, Jr.	$06 \ 05 \ 00$
George Brown	00 13 00		

Capt. Aaron Cooke, of Hadley, was left in command of some of the men taken out of Mosely's, Poole's and Upham's companies, at Westfield, November, 1675. He married, May 30, 1661, Sarah Westwood, and had a large family. A man of influence; Capt. of the militia for thirty-five years. Died in 1716.

Credited under Capt. Aaron Cooke.

	August	24, 1676			-	Sept.	23, 1676		
John	Stedman	01	17	00	Thomas	Hart	01	02	02
John	Parneer	01	00	06					

Edward Cowell, of Boston, was employed in the war in various ways; was in command of a small body of horsemen on the day of the Sudbury fight, as we have seen. He furnished supplies of various kinds to the Colony in the war; but one credit is given under him, viz.:

> August 24, 1676 John Scant 00 16 00

Some miscellaneous credits follow:

August 24, 1676 Benjamin Switzer, under Lieut. (John) Floyd 00 04 02 Ephraim Fowlsham Capt. (Benj.) Gillam 00 19 08

The two following were credited without officer or place assigned: March 24, 1675-6

Elias Peckworth 04 02 00 | Thomas North 02 12 00



XXI.

MAJOR RICHARD WALDERNE AND HIS MEN.

THE Walderne * family, to which the subject of this chapter. Richard Walderne, belonged, is of ancient lineage, as seen in the Pedigree, found by H. G. Somerby in England, and published by him in the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, vol. viii. p. 78. This shows descent from Edward Walderne and Joan his wife, of Alcester, in Warwickshire, through George Walderne and Joan Shallarde, married July 8. 1576, who had William, baptized July 25, 1577, married Catherine Raven at Alcester, November 26, 1600, and had nine sons and two daughters. The seventh son was Richard, baptized January 6, 1615.

This Richard † Walderne came to America, it is said, in 1635, "to See the Country. He stayed about two Years and returned to England and there Marryed a Gentlewoman of a very good family (whose parents were very unwilling She Should come away) her names are not remembered nor of w' place."

The matter above quoted is from the fragment of a letter from James Jeffrey to Councillor Richard Waldron, the Major's

grandson.

Major Walderne came to America with his young wife about After her death he married Anne Scammon, sister of Richard. His children were - Paul, who died in Algiers about 1669 (probably on board one of his father's vessels). Timothy,2 who died while a student in Harvard College. Richard,2 born 1650. Anna,2 married Rev. Joseph Gerrish. Elnathan,2 born July 6, 1659, in Boston, died Dec. 10, 1659. Esther, born Dec. 1, 1660, in Boston; married (1) Henry Elkins, (2) Abraham Lee, June 21, 1686, (3) Richard Jose, and (4) — ____. She died in the Isle of Jersey. Mary, born Sept. 14, 1663, in Boston, died young. Eleazer, born May 1, 1665. Elizabeth, born Oct.

changed it in his own signature, and wrote of his lattice as a stanton, and an inflormance since and referred to the family by that hame.

February 1. H. Quint, b.D., the eminent antiquarian, has furnished an account of the Waldron (Waldron) family in America, and that account is here followed. See N. E. Hist, and Gen. (Waldron) signals of the property of the prop

[•] I have thought best in this present chapter, to adopt the spelling of the Major's own signature, which agrees with his Linglish ancestors and was used by his contemporaries. His son Richard changed it in his own signature, and wrote of his father as Wakiren, and all historians since have



8, 1666; married John Gerrish, of Dover. Maria, born July 17,

1668; died about the age of fourteen.

Richard, the son of Major Walderne, changed the surname to Waldron, and the family has since been known as Waldron. He married (1) Hannah Cutt. Feb. 16, 1681, who died Feb. 14, 1682, at the birth of her first child; (2) Eleanor Vaughan, who died September, 1727. He died Nov. 3, 1730. His children (by his first wife) were Richard, born 1682, who died aged about eleven months; Richard (2d), born Feb. 21, 1693—1; Margaret, born Nov. 16, 1695; William, born 1697; Annie, born 1690;

Abigail, born 1702; Eleanor, born 1704.

It is supposed that Major Walderne was a man of some property when he came to this country, as he purchased a large tract of land at Cocheco (Dover, N.H.), where he settled about 1640, erected saw-mills, established his business, and made his home. He was a man of remarkable enterprise and ability, and by wise investment and diligent use of his opportunities acquired a large property for his time. He established a truck-house for the accommodation of the Indians and his own gain at Pennacook, in 1668; and it was there that an Englishman, Thomas Dickinson, was killed by an Indian who was drunk, and whom the Indians immediately punished with death. An investigation ensued, and Major Walderne was accused of selling or furnishing liquors at his truck-house, which made the Indian drunk, contrary to the laws and the special terms of the treaty. The papers in this case are preserved in the Mass. Archives, vol. 30, pp. 154-161. The liquors were said to be sold by the hand of Paul Walderne, son of the Major, and Peter Coffin. During the investigation, the Major was suspended from his office by his brother magistrates, but upon his own oath as to his entire innocence of complicity, either direct or indirect, in the affair, and upon the evidence, he was acquitted as well as his son, and was restored to his office and power, while Peter Coffin was convicted and fined fifty pounds. He was much in public life, and exerted a wide influence in various ways. He was representative to the General Court for thirteen years, and was Speaker of the House for seven years; was appointed to be a magistrate for the North Circuit of old Norfolk County, consisting of Portsmouth and Dover, and also of the County of York.

Major Walderne seems to have been in full sympathy with the strictest Puritans of Massachusetts Colony, and a sturdy champion of colonial rights and ecclesiastical authority, if we regard his severe treatment of the Quakers within his jurisdiction, as zeal for the church. His wide influence among the people is seen to have been due to general popularity, by his large vote at elections in the times when people dared to put their will, and meant to put their conscience, into their votes. In his extensive trade with the Indians and in constant communication with them, he seemed to

have kept their confidence, and to have had very little trouble with them in the thirty-five years that he had lived near them. There had been provocations doubtless on the part of the English as well as the Indians, and the Major, in common with other magistrates, was obstinate and stupidly severe in the administration of English law upon a wild, heathen people, who had no more idea of its meaning than of Sanskrit. The Indians knew the meaning of gratitude as well as vengeance; they could bide their time and dissemble submission, but they did not forget. Dover was a frontier town, and, several years before the war, houses had been fortified and a stockade set up about the meeting-house to prevent a surprise. Large numbers of Indians were coming and going among the settlers, were received and entertained in their houses, were well acquainted with the habits and peculiarities of their home-life and ways of business and worship. and it is probable that there was no other place in the Colony where the relations of settlers and Indians were more free and kindly than in this settlement at Dover. At the same time, here as elsewhere, the English regarded the Indians with ill-concealed contempt as inferior beings, and not really worth conciliating in permanent friendship, but to be tolerated till such time as they could be conveniently driven away.

It is probable that in military matters, as in all others, the direction had been in the hands of Major Walderne. The first record I have found relating to this is the following commission

from the General Court, Oct. 7, 1674:

Capt. Richard Walderne having had the command of the militia in Yorkshire, by authority from this Court, for the last two yeares past, & hath this summer draune forth the regiment of foote & troope of horse there, exercised them in military discipline, this Court doth heereby appoint him, the said Richard Walderne, to be the sarjant major of the forces in Yorkshire, and doe order, that he have commission as other majors have for authorizing him to that service.

Col. Rec., vol. v. p. 22.

When the alarm of the attack upon Swansea reached the people, measures were at once taken to secure these frontier towns, and the colonial authorities took steps to assist the more exposed and weaker settlements. The following letter will show the Council alert also to secure active coöperation of forces all along the lines:

ffor Mair Richd Waldern.

Having Acquainted the Council what I advised you the fifteenth Inst. I am commanded by them to order you forthwith wth 50 or 60 souldiers under your owne or Mr. Plaisteds or some other sufficient conduct you march to Pennicooke supposed to be y^e great Randevous of y^e enemy, where you may expect to meet Capt. Mosely, who is ordered thither and hath sufficient commission, to pursue kill & destroy



them w^{ch} also you must attend as y' work unless such as shall willingly deliver up their armes & themselves or sufficient hostages to secure their peaceable behaviour you had need to take along with you a Chirurgeon & make all possible expedition. A great part of our forces are at present at Hadley.

Daniel Denison, Maj' Gen'.

Boston, August 17, 1675.

By order of ye Council.

Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 241.

An account of the expedition referred to in the letter, has been given in a former chapter relating to Capt. Mosely. The Pennacooks and their allied families took no part in the war, but they did not, and perhaps could not, prevent the hostile or "strange" Indians from passing from tribe to tribe; and occasionally small war parties, going back and forth from the East to the West, found entertainment in these tribes, but were not joined by them in their hostile movements, though some of their young men may have been enticed to join the hostiles on occasions.

In the beginning, the Indians, bent mostly upon plunder, seem to have broken up into small parties, which could easily find out and strike exposed points here and there, and, when necessary for some large enterprise, could swiftly concentrate their forces

at any given time and place.

The first depredations of these Indians upon these Northeastern frontiers, began in September, 1675, at Oyster River (now Durham, N.H.); they burnt two houses of "the Cheslies," killed two men in a canoe upon the river, captured an old Irishman and a young man, both of whom escaped in a few weeks by the help of a friendly Indian. Three Indians, viz., John Sampson, Cromwel and John Linde, waylaid Goodman Robinson and his son, of Exeter, on their way to Hampton, and killed the father, the voung man escaping to Hampton. These same Indians captured Charles Randlet, of Exeter, who soon after escaped. The house of Richard Tozer at Salmon Falls, wherein were fifteen women and children, was attacked by two Indians, "Andrew" and "Hope-Hood," but was valiantly defended by a young woman, who held fast the door till all the others escaped, and till it was hewn in pieces by the Indians, who then entering, struck her down, leaving her for dead, while they followed the others to the next house, which, being better fortified, the Indians did not Two children were captured who were of this company, and could not keep up with the others; one of three years was killed, the other of seven was carried into captivity, but afterwards was returned. The brave girl who defended the house revived after the Indians left her, and escaped to her friends and was restored to perfect health; and it is to be regretted that Mr. Hubbard, who relates this, did not record the name of the heroine, as he doubtless could have easily done.



Small parties prowled in the woods in every direction, burning and shooting. Six more houses were burned at Oyster River, and William Roberts and his son-in-law were killed. Under these provocations the English were goaded almost to desperation, and yet, if they drew out in force to pursue, the Indians easily escaped to the woods and could not be overtaken. Several parties of volunteers went out from the garrisons in pursuit, but without avail, except that one party discovered five Indians, three gathering corn in a field, while two were building a fire to roast it. Two of the English crept up to these latter, and suddenly rushing to close quarters killed them both, knocking them on the head with the butts of their muskets. The rest escaped.

Capt. John Wincoll, who lived at Berwick, seems to have been in active service under Major Walderne, and was absent upon some service when his house and barn, with several of his neighbors' buildings, were burned by the Indians. It is possible that he was with Major Walderne at the Eastward when this took place. The following letter takes us further to the Eastward, and gives a glimpse of what was going on there, while towns upon the Connecticut were battling for life with the allies of

Philip.

Douer 25th September 1675

Much Honrd

My Absence from home (being this Week at Eastwid) hath Ocation'd yo' hearing nothing from mee Soe long but being Just now returned this evening thought it my Duty with all expedition to give Accit of the state of ye Place Since I sent away Cap Danis wth about 50 men at ye enemies ffirst Assault of those places (haueing ffurther Information of their killing & Burning) According to yo' direction raised a pto of Souldiers out of Douer and Portsmoth & wth an Addition of Some from Kittery I did my selfe Aduance eastwd for ve ffurther Succour of those places but before I came Soe ffarr as Sawco Capt Dauis being gone to Falmth where the first damage was done by the enemy I had Aduice of ve enemies Marching Westward ffalling upon Scarbrough & Sawco killing and burning on Saturday and Sabbath day last at Scarbrough they killed an old man and Woman & burnt their house & at Mr Foxwells two young men were killed being att ye barn about y' Cattle The enemy yn Aduanced towds Sawco river wes is nott aboue 4 miles distant from y' Part of Scarbrough & there fell to burning of houses ye People before haueing Intelligence ffrom an Indian called Scossaway of ve time w" they Would come deserted their houses most of y" repairing to Maj' Pendletons but M' Bonighten & some other ffamilies to Maj' Phillips on Saturday Morning ye Indians rifled and burnt Seuerall houses on ye north Side ye river & among weh Mr Bonightens was one he being the night before fled to Maj' Phillips while said houses were burning a pty of ym Judged about 36 Indus came ouer ye river in english canooes & w" come Ashore cutt holes in y" and turned y" Adrift but all this time finding noe men they went to Maj' Phillips Saw mill & 1st Set it goeing then on fire & burnt it & afterwards did ye like to his corn mill it being Judged to be their design thereby to draw ym out of ye house,



and soe to Surprise both ym & itt but Majr Phillips being fforwarned of their coming made Some Small defense about his house haueing win him of his own fiamilies & neighbors to ve number of 15 men besides women & Children in all about 50 the bushes being thick within shott of his house could not att ffirst See an Inda but one of ye men Perceiueing a Stirring Among ye ffearnes Majr Phillips looked out of his Chamber Window yt Way and ffrom ynce was Imediately shott att and slightly Wounded in ye should (2 more were alsoe Wounded Afterward yt being all the harm done there) Afterwas ye Shott came thick weh was Accordingly Answered ffrom within Butt noe Indians as yet apeared but onely Creeping deckt with ffearns and boughs till some time after they gott a prof old truck wheels and flitted ym up with boards and Slabs ffor a barricadoe to Safe guard ye Drivers thereby Endeavouring to burn ye house haveing prepared combustible matter as birch rinds pitchwood Turpentine and powd ffor y end but they in ye house preineing their Intention Plyed their shott against itt and found Afterwas their shott went through A little before they Came at ye house there was a little wett ground into weh ye Wheels Sunk and yt obstructed their driveing it fforw they Endeauouring to gett it out of ye dirt again by turning a little on one Side thereby layeing ymselues open to ym in ye house wen oportunity they improued & made ym quitt their work and fily but Continued fireing at ye house all night till Sabbath day morning about 9 a clock and then they saw ye Indians at a distance March away they Judged between 20 & 30 & some of vm wth 2 guns but before they went they set fire on a little out house & in itt burnt seuerall hogs Since weh Majr Phillips is removed down to Winter harbour to Maj' Pendletons where I found him - After this ye Same or another Party of Indians went to Scarbrough to a Place called Dunstan where L' Alger being abroad wth 6 men more well arm'd being about their Ocations mett 14 Indns compleat in Armes in 2 ranks He retreating a little towards his house ye Indas Advanced and ffollowed whereupon he faced ym ye 1st rank of ye Indas fired & orderly fell in ye rear of ye others Lt Alger wth his 6 men fired & Primed they Struck some of ym whereupon they Imediately filed they being at a Considerable Distance none of ym Rec4 any harm but notwthstanding all this neither my Selfe nor Capt Dauis nor any pty I sent out the I had yn in those pts 120 souldiers could euer see an Indan Therefore Considering ye Weaknesse I left our nts in nearer homew by takeing soe many thence & the little hopes wee had of meeting wth ye enemy who As soon as ever they discouered a pty of Souldiers in one place fled to another & by Reason of ye Vast Inconveniences Attending a March in y' Country ocationed by many rivers Marshes &c. I thought it most prudente to Contract ye people into as small a Compasse as may be in those towns & there make some fortifications to defend ymselves haueing left about 60 Souldiers in garrison at Sawco Scarbrough and Falmen ffor ve defence of those places & ffor their help in gathering their corn & Secureing their prouitions bringing ye Remaining forces back with mee to their seuerall towns again haueing likewise ordered Wells York & Kittery to garrison y selues for y own defence y Distractions of those places by Reason of psons being fforced to fforsake yt Plantations & leave their Corn & Cattle to ye enemy doth portend Ineuitable want &c to ensue unlesse god by his extraordinary providence doe prevent their case



being Considered beg yo' Thoughts & direction about it $w^{ch}\ w^n$ Rec^d shall be readily Attended by

Honrd sr yor Humble Serutt RICHARD WALDERNE

Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 26-7.

The above letter of Major Walderne sufficiently explains the situation of affairs at the Eastward. The entire population withdrew into their fortified houses, which were garrisoned as well as possible with the inhabitants of the towns, Major Walderne holding a small reserve force at Portsmouth and Dover to assist whenever one settlement was more threatened than another. The great tribes which confronted the Eastward settlements and had the controlling influence in the war in these parts were the Ammoscoggins, who lived upon what is now called the Androscoggin River; the Pequakets, whose chief rendezvous was at the head waters of the Saco in the present town of Fryeburg; the Ossipees, near the lake of that name; the Pennacooks, who held a large tract of country in the vicinity of Concord, N.H. These larger tribes had gathered the remnants of several once powerful tribes which had held the lands along the coast from Kennebec to the Piscatagua, but which had been almost annihilated by the internal wars which raged after the overthrow of the great "Bashaba," who had lived on the Penobscot, and had held all these eastern tribes in subjection. In the struggle for supremacy which succeeded, a great part of the fighting men in all the tribes were destroyed. This was at its height when Sir Richard Hawkins visited the coast in 1615. A great plague followed this war, which nearly depopulated the whole region along the shores before the Pilgrims came to Plymouth in 1620. The Ammoscoggins and Pequakets were hostile to the English, and it was their depredations, assisted by the restless tribes on the Kennebec and beyond, that so troubled this eastern frontier in the war of 1675-7.

The Pennacooks had always been peaceful towards the English since the first settlement. Passaconoway was their chief at the earliest mention we have of them, and was still alive and active for the welfare of his tribe in 1663, though at great age, for it was probably about this time that Major Gookin saw him (as he writes in 1677) "alive at Pawtucket when he was about a hundred and twenty years old." He seems to have been a chief of remarkable ability and wisdom, and had some sort of dominion over many tribes, and there is some evidence that he bore the sway of a "Bashaba," or Great Sagamore. He was reputed by the Indians to be a great "Powow" and to possess supernatural powers, and was held to be a "sorcerer" by the English, and doubtless had some arts of the juggler by which he gained this renown.

He had several sons and daughters, one of whom married Win-



nepurkitt, sachem of Saugus, whom the English called George Rumneymarsh, upon the story of whose marriage, found in Morton's "New Canaan," the poet Whittier based the legend of his poem, "The Bridal of Pennacook." There is evidence that another of his daughters married "Numphow," ruler of the

Wamesits and father of "Sam" Numphow."

A petition to the General Court, October 10, 1665, shows the names of those who petitioned several years before for permission "to redeeme our pore brother and cuntryman" "out of prison and bondage, whose Name is Nanamocomuck the eldest son of Passaconewa." He is said to have gone to the Ammoscoggins soon after, and it is probable that he died there. The celebrated Kankamagus was, it is supposed, his son, and was sachem of the Pennacooks after Wannalaneet retired; he will be mentioned later on. The English called him John Hogkins.

It is said that near the close of his life Passaconaway called his people together and gave them his farewell charge, recounting his own early struggles against the English, which had proved in vain, and, showing the steady increase of the white people everywhere in spite of all opposition, he urged upon them their only safe policy, peaceful submission to and friendship with the

English.

Upon Wannalancet's succession to his father's title and station, he kept faith with the English as his father had done and advised, and notwithstanding the many wrongs and provocations received by his people, and the urgent appeals of hostile tribes, he remained true, and was held in high esteem by the authorities of the colony. It is probable, however, that most of the power of his father over other tribes fell away from him, for he seems to have had little influence with the Ammoscoggins or Pequakets

when war was once begun.

When he saw that it was to become a general war, and foresaw that, remaining in the vicinity of the English settlements, his people could hardly fail to be drawn into some active participation in it, either for or against the English, he prudently withdrew to safe retreats whenever the hostile forces approached his country; and he displayed not only prudence, but, in the case when Capt. Mosely marched to Pennacook and burnt his village and destroyed the property and stored food of his people, great patience and power; for he restrained his warriors, who pressed him earnestly for permission to ambush and cut off Mosely's company, which they were in capacity, both of numbers and opportunity, to do.

To the friendly intercourse which Dover kept up with Wannalaneet was due, probably in some measure, its immunity from repeated assults. The Wamesits, living at what is now Lowell, formerly Chelmsford, were under the supervision of Lieut. Richardson of that town, and were a quiet, reputable "praying

village" under the immediate rule of "Numphow," who, as has been intimated, was probably the brother-in-law of Wannalancet. These Indians suffered a great outrage at the hands of some English Indian-haters, who upon the burning of a barn of Lieut. Richardson at Chelmsford by some skulking hostile Indians, immediately and without authority assaulted these helpless Wamesits, wounding five women and children, and killing outright a lad, wounding his mother, daughter of Sagamore John and widow of another sagamore, "Tohatoonee," a tried friend of the English. Numphow, with his praying village, fled to Pennacook to Wannalancet, and wrote to Lieut. Henchman, commanding at Chelmsford

garrison, a letter explaining their flight.

It was by such outrages as these that those Indians who inclined to peace were alienated, and those already inclined to war embittered, and many of the young men of the Wamesits undoubtedly joined the hostile Indians, and passed to the Eastward to swell the ranks and increase the efficiency of those bands of Ammoscoggins and Pequakets, who, with the "strange Indians" from the Nipmucks and western tribes, were carrying destruction to the Eastward settlements. The Indians were said to be led in general by "Squando," sagamore of Saco, formerly a great friend of the English, but, outraged by the treatment of his wife and child by some English sailors, became filled with vengeful hatred towards all the English. These sailors, it is said, seeking to test the common report that Indian children could swim naturally, like the young of beasts, maliciously upset the canoe containing the woman and child; the child sank in the river, but the mother diving to the bottom saved it, which, however, soon after dying, its death was imputed to this treatment. Squando was said to be a great powow or wizard, and was probably the most influential chief from the Penobscot to the Piscataqua. It was not Philip's, but his own war that he was fighting against these eastern settlements. Major Walderne's letter and Gen. Denison's appeals seem to have moved the United Commissioners to the following action:

Boston Octob: 1st 1675

The Commissioners understanding that the Inhabitants of Pascataque, and so Eastward, are under great Distress, by Reason of the Rage of the Common Enemy, Doe commend it to the honourable Governor and Councill of the Mattachusets, that some present Releife may be sent unto them according to the present Exigent; the charges whereof shall be allowed in the general Account of the Colonyes.

THOMAS DANFORTH, Presid.

In the name and by the order of the Commissioners.

As the people gathered more and more into the garrisons, the Indians gathered into larger bodies, with the evident design to reduce these garrisons one by one, while they warily watched to



cut off all stragglers who attempted to pass from one to another. October 7th was observed as a day of public humiliation, and on that day three men were killed near Newichewannock, and soon after a garrison was assaulted and an old man named Beard was killed just outside the house, and other houses were burnt. On October 16th a large body of Indians, said to be a hundred. gathered towards the settlement of Salmon Falls, and surprising Richard Tozer at his house half a mile from the garrison, killed him and captured his son. Lieut. Roger Plaisted, who was in command at the garrison, hearing the guns of this attack, immediately sent seven men to find out the cause, when they were ambushed, and two or three were killed, and the others barely escaped back to their garrison. Lieut. Plaisted at once despatched a messenger with the following letter to Major Walderne, which Mr. Hubbard, believing it to have been "the last Time that ever that good and useful Man set Pen to Paper," inserted in his history, and probably obtained the letter for that purpose from Major Walderne.

Salmon Falls October 16, 1675.

Mr. Richard Waldern and Lieut. Coflin, These are to inform you, that just now the Indians are engaging us with at least one hundred Men, and have slain four of our men already, Richard Tozer, James Barney, Isaack Bottes, and Tozer's son and burnt Benoni Hodsden's House; Sir, if ever you have any love for us, and the Country, now shew yourself with Men to help us, or else we are all in great Danger to be slain, unless our God wonderfully appear for our Deliverance. They that cannot fight, let them pray; Nought else, but I rest,

Yours to serve you
Signed by Roger Plaisted,
George Broughton.

Major Walderne was in no condition now to weaken his own garrisons, and had not the valor of Lieut. Plaisted outrun his discretion, his garrison as well as himself and family would have been safe in their defence; but venturing out with an ox-team guarded by twenty men, to bring in their dead for burial, they fell into an ambush after they had recovered the body of Tozer, and had returned to the swamp near the garrison where the others lay dead. It was the old story, a total surprise, a brave but vain defence, a sullen retreat, and Lieut. Plaisted with his sons, bravely covering the retreat, was surrounded and overwhelmed, but with proud defiance choosing death rather than capture, was at last overpowered by numbers and slain. His eldest son was also killed in this retreat, and another younger son wounded so that he died within a few weeks. The desperate fighting of the Plaisteds probably cost the Indians quite dearly, as they did not appear the next day when Capt. Charles Frost came up from his garrison at Sturgeon Creek (now Eliot, Me.) and buried the dead. Within a few weeks, however, they returned and began depreda-



tions in the same places, and ventured as far as Sturgeon Creek, where Capt. Frost had relaxed his vigilance and was working on his farm near his house, in which it is probable his boys were set to watch. The Indians crept up and fired a volley at him before he was aware of their presence; but he escaped unharmed to his own house, where he began to issue orders in a loud voice as though he had a large company of soldiers, which so frightened the Indians that they passed on and left him unmolested, though his entire force was but three boys, possibly his sons. The Indians then passed down on the Kittery side of the river, killed one man and burnt his house, "just over against Portsmouth;" but when a small cannon was fired thence and the shot fell not far from them, they were so frightened thereat that they fled, leaving much of their plunder. They were pursued by the English at this time and tracked far into the woods by means of a light snow. but finally escaped into a swamp. This latter service was probably under the direction of Major Walderne, although we have no record of its details. For some time after this they continued to harass the settlements, but near the end of November, when it is said that they had killed or captured one hundred and fifty people from the Kennebec to the Piscatagua, they withdrew to their winter quarters, mostly at Ossipee and Pequaket. Denison designed, and had given orders to the officers in those parts to draw out all available men in their command to pursue the enemy to their homes and there attack and destroy them. This design fell through on account of the early and severe setting in of winter and the lack of proper snow-shoes in sufficient numbers. But the fierceness of the season, and the unusual numbers huddled together, with the probable neglect to secure their usual supply of food from harvests, hunting and fishing, so pinched them by famine, that they were forced to attempt a reconciliation, and came to Major Walderne and expressed sorrow for all the evil that had been done, and with him concluded a treaty of peace, early in January, which remained unbroken until August, 1676.

Before June, 1676, the southern Indians, scattered and pursued from their tribes and homes, and fearing extermination, had hidden themselves amongst these Eastern Indians, and hoped to escape thus the vengeance of the English. In the mean time the Eastern tribes themselves, through the mediation of Wannalancet and Major Walderne, were trying in various ways to atone for past crimes. June 3, 1676, Wannalancet came in with several others of his sachems and brought some English captives, and also the Indians who had been engaged in the killing of Thomas Kembal of Bradford, a month before, and the capture of his family. This Indian was called "Symon" in the petition of Kembal's widow for redress, August 1, 1676. Two others were taken and delivered up at this time, "Andrew" who was implicated



with Symon, and Peter, engaged in another crime; these were delivered by Wannalancet and his chiefs, and the captives, among them Kembal's family, were offered as a token of their repentance and as an atonement for their crime. But our magistrates, a little doubtful that the price was sufficient, threw these three Indians into prison at Dover for the time, from which they soon escaped, and going to the Eastward joined the Kennebec and Ammoscoggins in the renewed hostilities later on.

The following is the treaty of July 3d, 1676:

Pascataqua River, Cochecho 3: July [1676]

At a meeting of y° Committee appointed by y° Honord Gen¹ Court for to treat y° Indians of the Eastern Parts in order for y° procuring an Honble Peace with them, Wee wth y° mutuall consent of y° Sagamores Underwritten in behalfe of themselves & the Men — Indians belonging to them being about 300 in Number, have agreed as followeth:

1^{ly} That henceforwards none of y^e said Indians shall offer any Violence to y^e persons of any English, nor doe any Damage to theyr Estates in any kind whatsoever. And if any Indian or Indians shall offend herein they shall bring or cause to bee brought y^e offender to some English authority, there to be prosecuted by y^e English Lawes

according to ye Nature of ye Offence.

2^{by} That none of said Indians shall entertain at any Time any of our Enemies, but shall give psent notice to y^e Comittee when any come among them, Ingaging to goe forth wth y^e English against them (if desired) in order to y^e seizing of them. And if any of s⁴ Indians shall themselves at any time bring such o' Enemies unto us, they shall

for their Reward have £3, for each they shall so bring in.

3^b The Indians performing on theyr part, as is before expressed, wee ye Committee doe ingage in ye behalfe of ye English not to offer any Violence to any of their persons or estates, and if any injury be offered to said Indians by any English, they complaining to Authority, ye offender shall be prosecuted by English Lawes according to ye nature of ye offence. In witnes to each & all ye pmises we have mutually shaken hands and subscribed of Names.

Committee { Richard Waldern The mark + Wannalanset \(^1\) Sagam' The mark + Sampson Aboquacemora
The mark + Mr. W\(^1\) Sagamore
The mark + Mr. W\(^1\) Sagamore
The mark + Squando, Sagamore
The mark + Dony
The mark + Serogumba
San\(^{1\) Numphow
The mark + Warockomee

Mass. Arch., vol. 30, p. 206.

It is not known how much influence the captive Indians, who

^{*}Each of these made his own mark before his name, which was written by a clerk. The original paper is preserved in Mass. Archives, vol. 47. Of the Indians here signing, except Wannanset and Squando, not much is known. Sampson is supposed to have been from the East as are as Kennebec. Mr. We Sagamore was probable a teacher of the "Praying Indians." Dony was of the Ammoscogiant, Saregamba perhaps of the Ossipees, and Warockomee of the Pequakets, though the assignment of these two last is scarcely more than a guess. Sam^B Numphow was a ruler of the Wamesity, a Christian Indian.



escaped from Dover, exercised on the Kennebec Indians in the renewal of hostilities, but it is certain that "Simon" was at the head of those who struck the first blow at Casco (now Portland, Me.), in which attack the Brackets and others to the number of thirty-four were killed or captured. And this party immediately after joined those who had surprised Arrowsick and the settlements adjoining; and subsequent events showed that both parties were acting in conjunction.

These hostilities were renewed August 11th, 1676, a little more than a month after the treaty at Cocheco, which had included all the tribes as far as the Kennebec. None of the tribes whose representatives signed that treaty were implicated in these attacks upon Casco and Arrowsick, and therefore considered themselves upon a peace footing; so that, when at the beginning of September some four hundred of these, the men of the tribes, came in to Major Walderne's at Dover, under the leadership of Wannalancet, it was, perhaps, to prove themselves not engaged in the hostilities at the eastward, since they were present now with the Pennacooks and the others who had kept the peace since the winter before. It was known, however, to the General Court that many of the Indians of the south and west who had been engaged with Philip formerly had now found a retreat with these peaceful tribes. It is not probable that Wannalancet and his chiefs understood the treaty to impose upon them the duty of investigating the previous career of those Indians who might wish to join themselves to his tribe, nor to have considered themselves responsible for hostile acts done at Narraganset or on the Connecticut River. But the authorities determined upon the immediate suppression of these Eastern Indians, and sent Capts. Sill and Hathorne, as related in a previous chapter, with two companies and full commission to "kill and destroy" all hostile Indians wherever found. These companies, as above related, came to Dover in September, and there found the great gathering of Indians at Major Walderne's house. I have not found anywhere any attempt at an explanation of the presence of so many Indians at Dover, other than that which has been intimated above. It was known to all the Indians that the English had made overtures to the Mohawks to make war upon the Eastern and other hostile Indians. The Mohawks were regarded by all the Indians of the New England colonies with a dread which was almost insane; there seems to have been no thought of resistance to these dreaded foes. Many tribes and remnants of tribes began to sue for terms of peace; and a general proclamation was issued about this time in answer:

That treacherous Persons who began the War and those that have been barbourously bloody must not expect to have their lives spared; but others that have been drawn into the War, and acting only as Souldiers, submitting to be without Arms, and to live quietly and peaceably for the Future, shall have their Lives spared.



A contemporary writer of a pamphlet (written in Boston and published in London, 1676), who signs himself "R. H." (perhaps Richard Hutchinson), and gives a "True Account of the most considerable occurrences" in the war, from May 5th to August 4th, 1676, publishes the above decree of the Council, and evidently confounds the treaty of July 3d with the affair of September 7th; as he says, that "upon the 10th day of July there were about 300 Indians at the Eastward, that surrendered themselves to the English and their sachems with them." He mentions Wannalancet and Squando, and says the dread of the Mohawks drove them in. He says nothing of a "sham-fight," or of a capture. Mr. Hubbard is silent as to the "sham-fight;" but says that the Indians, "hoping to shrowd themselves under the Wings of some honester Indians about Quechecho, under Pretence of a Declaration sent out by the Governour and Council of the Massachusetts in July last;" and in this mention relates that our forces under Capts. Hathorne and Sill, with the help of Major Walderne and Capt. Frost, and others residing in those parts "being then in Readiness," separated the vile and wicked from the rest and sent them down to the Governour at Boston. And in the other mention, in the account of the war with these Eastern Indians, he says that these officers mentioned above mutually agree to seize upon all those Indians that were gathered "about Major Waldern's Dwelling in Quechecho," and that "the contrivement succeeded."

Lacking proof contrary, it would seem that the Indians were gathered, through the influence of Major Walderne and Wannalancet, to accept the terms of the General Court's proclamation of amnesty. The forcible capture of four hundred Indians even by the stratagem of a sham-fight seems highly improbable; and it is far likelier that the surrender was full and entirely peaceful, while the separation of the bad from the good was made after all were quietly surrounded by the English, possibly under the pretence of a "training." Mr. Belknap, the eminent historian of New Hampshire, many years minister at Dover, gives some detail of the sham-fight, and says that Major Walderne planned this method to secure the "bad" Indians without bloodshed. Indians were set on one side the field and the English on the other, and after considerable manceuvring, the Indians were induced to fire the first volley, after which the four companies of Walderne, Sill, Hathorne, Frost, and probably Capt. Hunting's company of friendly Indians, surrounded and disarmed them. Whatever the method, it is certain that the Indians captured on September 6th, to the number of some two hundred, were sent down to Boston in vessels. September 10th a letter was sent by Major Walderne, Nicholas Shapleigh and Thomas Daniel, containing some explanations in regard to the prisoners and the charges against certain of them. The following is the letter:



Dover, 10th Septembr 1676

Much Hond

The Indas being now on board & Comeing towards you Wee yt have been Soe far Improv'd about ym Thought it Convenient to Inform how ffar they have kept the Pease made with us & who of those are Concerned therein vizt Penicooks Wonolansets Waymesits & Piscatag Indns there being not any belonging further Eastwa come in nor any other of those belonging to ye South Side of Mirimack ever Included in our Pease; those of ym yt had made ye Pease comeing in to Comply wth y^t the others to get Shelter under y^m but y^t they should be all treated alike as here they were wee humbly Conceived no Reason wee not being able to Charge those that had made ye Pease wth any breach of Articles Save only yt of entertaining our Southern Enemies but by yt meanes wee came to Surprise Soe many of ym There are Several of Piscataq Indns here who before ye Pease had been very Active Against us but since have lived quietly & Attended Order but yo' Pleasures being to have all sent down to determine their Case at Boston, hath been Attended keeping here about 10 young men of ym to Serve in ye Army with their families & Some old men and theirs with Wonolansets Relations. Yesterday came in 2 Squawes informing y' one eyed Jnº & Jethro were designing ye Surprizing of Canonicus & bringing in desireing Some of our old Men to come to Advise with him about it. forthwith sent out there to further ye design. Wee have information from Jewels Island yt the former newes is not Soe bad being not above 10 in all killed and wounded being unexpectedly surprised. If vr be Any obstruction in ye ffurther Prosecution of ye enemy now by ye Army, our People will quickly desert their Country, Shall Add no more at Present but Remain in much Hon Yor Humble Servers

RICHARD WALDERN NIC: SHAPLEIGH THO: DANIEL

Mass. Archives, vol. 30, p. 218.

This letter shows that orders had come from the Council for all the Indians taken to be sent to Boston. There is no doubt that very many of those sent down considered themselves, and were considered by the above committee, as having accepted and fulfilled the terms of peace agreed upon in the treaty with Major Walderne the winter before. The Pennacooks and the Wamesits were the only tribes mentioned as included in the treaty, south of the Merrimac. It is evident that some of the "Praying" Indians were sent down also, as we find Mr. Eliot and Major Gookin at once advocating their cause and the claims of those who had accepted the terms of the treaty and supposed it covered and condoned past offences.

A good view of the condition of affairs at this Eastern part, where the war was now being waged, is gained from this letter from the chief citizens of "Northfolk and Yorkshire"

Counties.



Portsmo: 19: 8br: 1676

Much Honrd

Being upon occasion of ye Alarms lately recd fro ye Enemy mett togeth at Portsmo thought meet to give yor Hon our sense of Matte in vs pt of ve Country in ye best Mann' yt upon ye place in ye prsent Hurry we are able to get. How things are now at Wells & York wee know not, but p'sume yo'selves will be informed ere y's comes to yo' hand p ve Post sent fro: yo Comando in cheefe weh (as wee understand) went thro. y' Towne y' Morning. Only thus mch we have learnt y' ye Enemy is Numerous & about those pts, having carried all clear before him so far as Wells. That hee is preeding towards us & so on toward vo' Selves ye Enemy intimates & ye thing itself speaks. What is meet to be now don is wth yorselves to say rather than for us to suggest, however being so deeply and nextly concerned humbly crave leave to offer to Consider" whether ye securing of what is left bee not or next Work rather than 'ye Attempting to regain what is lost unless there were strength enough to doe both. It seemes little available to endeavor ought in ye More Eastern places y' are already conquered unless there bee several Garrisons made & kept with provision & Amunition & what may be suitable for a Recruit upon all Occasions, went to do (at least y' Winter) cannot say y' ye profit will make amends for ye charge. Sure wee are yt o'selves (yt is ye County of Northfolk with Dover & Portsm') are so far from being capeable of Spareing any fforces for yt Expedition y' we find o'selves so thinned and weakened by those y' are out already yt there is nothing but ye singular Providence of God hath prevented our being utterly run down. The Enemy observes or motions & knows or strength (weaknes rather) bett yn wee are willing hee should & nbably had been with us ere this had not ye Highest Power overruled him. And that Haver-hill, Exttr, &c. are in like Prdicamt wth Dover, &c. seems apparent, & hence as uncapeable of spareing Men. In true [sic] there is an Army out in Yorkshire weh will doubtle doe what may be done, yet there is room enough for ye Enemy to slipp by them unobserved & if so what a Condition we are in is evident. Our own men are not enough to maintain or own places if any Assault be made & yet many of or are now on the other side of the Pascatage River. Wee expect an Onsett in one place or other every day, & can expect no Reliefe fro those that are so far fro home. If it should bee thought meet y' all ye Men y' are come to us & other parts of y' Jurisdiction from ye deserted & conquered Eastern Country should be ordered to ye Places yt are left on theyr own side of ye River, yt so or may be recalled to theyr severall towns, it might possibly bee not unavailable to ye Ends; Especially if wth all some Indians might be ordered to these parts to bee upon a perpetuall scout fro place to place. We design not a lessening or discouragmt of ye Army who rather need strengthening & Incouragmi, for we verily think yi if by ye Good Hand of Providence ye Army had not been there all ye Parts on ye other side of ve River had been possest by the Enemy & perhaps o'selves too ere y' Time. But what we aim at is that o'selves also may be put into Capacity to defend o'selves. Wee are apt to fear we have been too bold with your Honors, but wee are sure our Intentions are good, & o' Condition very bad except ye Lord of Hosts appear for us speedily, & wee would be found in y" Use of Meanes, commending o' case to him

y' is able to protect us and direct yo'selves in order thereunto, & remain

Mch Hond Yo' Humble Serv"

Rob' Pire,
Richard Walderne,
Richard Martyn,
John Cutt,
W' Vaughan,
Tho: Daniel.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 71.

A reference in Major Gookin's history of the "Praying Indians" proves the intimation in the following letter that a second company of Indians was sent down, including those who came in after the army had passed to the Eastward, and also that Major Walderne himself went to Boston to assist in the "disposal," and sold some of them; and probably Wannalancet and his men, and the Wamesits, went with the Major, by the requirement of the General Court. Major Gookin complains that some of his most trusted praying Indians, and especially Sam Numphow, with difficulty cleared themselves from the accusations of English who had been captives and swore against them, when, he says, it is not easy to identify Indians under even the most favorable conditions.

Cochecha, 2. 9ber 1676

Maj^r Gookin, Honrd Sr.

I recd yors of 25th 8ber concerning Some Indas web you Say it is Alledged I promised life & liberty to; time pmits mee not at p'sent to inlarge but for Answer in Short you may Please to know I Promised neither Peter Jethro nor any other of y' comp' life or liberty it not being in my Power to doe it; all y' I promised was to Peter Jethro viz' that if he would use his Endeavor & be Instrumental ffor ye bringing in one eyed Jnº &c. I would acquaint ye Gov'n' wth wt service he had done & Improve my Interest in his behalfe this I Acquainted ye Hon'd Council wth if it had been their Pleasures to have Saved more of ym it would not have troubled mee, as to ye Squaw you Mention belonging to one of Capt. Hunting's Souldiers, there was Such a one left of ye first Great Compa of Indas 1st [sent] down web Capt. Hunting desired might Stay here til himselfe & her husband Came back from Eastwd weh I consented to & how she came among yt compa I know not I requiring none to goe yn to Boston but those that came in after ye Armies departure neither Knew I a word of it at Boston wa I disposed of ym soe twas her own fault in not Acquainting mee with it but if Said Squaw be not sent of I shall be freely willing to reimburse those Gent w' they gave mee for her y' she may be sett at liberty being wholy inocent as to w' I'me charged wth I intend ere long to be at Boston wn I doubt not but shall give you full satisfaction thereabout.

I am S^r yo^r Humble Serv^a RICHARD WALDERN. Mass. Archives, vol. 30, p. 226.

¹ The Indian woman referred to in Major Waldernés letter was Mary Nemasit, wife of John, who had been in the army with the English under Capt. Hunting during the summer, and now comes armed with a letter from Major Gookin and domands his wife and child, who were in Boston Prison, and had been bought by Mesers. The Beane and James Wheteonab. Nov. 23d, 1676, the Council gives order to the prison-keeper to driver the woman and child to her husband. See Mass. Archives, vol. 30, p. 22s.



There is no doubt that the general voice of the colony highly applauded the action of Major Walderne, and gave him the credit of the capture, while Major Gookin questioned the method

sharply.

The following list of credits is all that appears in Hull's Treasury accounts; and these men were those who served under him personally, the others being credited under their respective captains, and those after August 24th placed in a later journal now lost.

Credited under Major Walderne.

January 25 1675			Joseph Pillsbery	01	12	06	
Lawrence Clinton	02	15	08	Richard Jones	02	02	00
James Ford	02	15	00	Thomas Baker	02	02	00
William Delamore	02	02	00	John Smith	02	02	90
February 29, 1675			Edward Fuller	02	02	00	
Thomas Rowlinson	02	02	00	March 24th 1675-	6		
Joseph Fowler	03	12	00	Daniel Tenney	01	19	04
Henry Ducker	03	12	00	April 24th 1676			
Jeremiah Neale	01	13	09	Richard Freind	01	12	06
John Line	03	06	00	June 24th 1676	3		
Samuel Stanwood	02	02	00	Mark Hascall	02	14	00
Nathaniel Bray	62	02	00	August 24th 167	6		
George Cross	02	02	00	Edmund Henfield		12	00

THE WINTER EXPEDITION OF MAJOR WALDERNE TO THE EASTWARD.

In following the career of Major Walderne, it will be necessary to pass over a detailed account of affairs at the Eastward, in which, however, he bore no small part, being magistrate as well as military commander of this quarter of the colony. All the Eastern settlements were broken up, and the people who were neither killed nor made captive fled to the Westward towns for safety. Desolation lay over all, from Pemaguid as far as Wells. Capt. Hathorne's forces availed but little except to keep the Indians from any general gathering and organized attack. Small parties of the enemy were scattered along the frontiers, ready to fall upon any exposed settlement. The alarms, attacks and useless pursuits were many; till at last, about the middle of October, the celebrated "Mog," or "Mugg," came in to Major Walderne and announced himself as empowered to negotiate peace with the English on behalf of "Madockawando and Cheberrina, Sachems of Penobscot." Mog came to Boston under safe conduct from the governor, and between Nov. 6th and 13th a treaty was concluded between the colony and the Eastward Indians, not including the "Ammoscoggins" and "Pequakets." During this time Capt. Hathorne, upon information received of Mog, marched his troops up to Ossipee, expecting to find there a large body of



Indians and English captives, but found nothing but the empty fort, which they burnt, and returned to Berwick on November 9th. Upon the issue of the treaty the Council sent vessels to the Penobscot with Mog, held as voluntary hostage, to act as agent and interpreter. Madockawando was found and confirmed the treaty made with Mog, and delivered the few prisoners which he held. Mog himself was permitted to go up into the woods to another plantation to persuade other Indians to join in the treaty. and to bring in some captives which they held; but not returning, they supposed he was either killed or detained as prisoner by the Indians, as he told them when he left them might be the result. They waited more than a week, and then came home, arriving at Boston December 25th, 1676. Nothing more was heard of the captives at the Eastward or of Mog until January 5th, when one Francis Card, a captive, escaped, and made his way to Blackpoint and thence to Boston, where he made an interesting statement of the condition of things at the Eastward; told the story of his escape, stated the location and strength of the enemy, putting their entire fighting force at not above one hundred and fifty fighting men; he described the country and explained the best places to land a force, and urged that an expedition be sent at once before they removed higher up the river. The details of all the matters referred to above are to be given in another chapter. The statement made by Card, and especially his implication of Mog as a "Rogue" who came back among the Indians, and laughed at the English and their "kinde Entertainment," and saying he had found a way to burn Boston, seems to have renewed the determination of the Council to send an expedition immediately to attempt the recovery of their forts and the captive English. Other things also moved them, such as the discovery that the Narraganset Indians were abroad in these Eastward parts, three being captured by Major Walderne's Indians in the woods near Dover; and when several of the chief men about Portsmouth, etc., came to Boston advising the expedition, it was determined, and Major Walderne was made commander-inchief.

The expedition consisted of two companies of sixty men from Boston and Salem; the first, sixty Natick Indians under Capt. Samuel Hunting; the second, sixty men under Lieut. Thomas Fiske of Wenham, whose commission for this service is preserved in the Massachusetts Archives, vol. 69, p. 106, and is dated February 5th, 1676. These sailed from Salem the first week in February, directly to Blackpoint, where Major Walderne met them with the forces raised by him and Capt. Frost in their parts. The Council gave Major Walderne instruction and commission as follows:



Instructions for Major Rich. Walderne.

You shal repaire to Blacke point wth the 60 souldiers under capt. frost that you are authorized by ye Council to raise in Dover Portsmouth & yorkshire by ye 8 of febr where you are to take under your command the other forces from Boston & Salem under the command of Capt. Hunting & Leiftenant Fiske & other sea officers, from whence wth all expedition wth the advice of your commanders you shall advance towards the enemy at Kinnebeck or elsewhere, & according to the proposed designe, endeavour wth all silence & secresy to surprize them in their quarters wherein if it please God to succeed you, you shall do vour utmost endeavour to save and secure the English prisoners. you fail in this designe you shall assay by alle means in your power to disturb & destroy the enemy unless you have such overtures from them as may give some competent assurance that an honorable and safe peace may be concluded with them wherein you must avoyd all trifling & delayes & wth all possible speed make despatch of the affaire not trusting them without first delivery of all the Captives & vessels in their hands. If you should in conclusion find it necessary to leave a garrison in Kinnebeck, wee must leave it to your discretion. You shall use utmost expedition as winds & other advantages will permit lest ye season be lost and charges seem without profitt.

Praying God to be with you

E. R. S.

24 Janury 1676

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 101.

The commission of Major Walderne:

J. L. G. Wth the Consent of the Council.

To Major Richard Walden.

whereas you are apoynted Cor-in-chief of the forces Now to be raised agt the enemy the pagans in the East for the assaulting them at Kinnebeck, we have ordered the rendevous of the St forces at Black point the 8 teb next doe hereby order & authorize you to take under your command and conduct the St forces web you are to require to obey & attend your orders & Commands as their Commander-in-chiefe & you to leade conduct & order the St forces for the best service of the country against the Common enemy whom you are to endeavour to surprize kill & destroy by all means in your power & al Com'dt, Officers & soulders under you are required to yelld obedience to endeavour to recover the English prisoners from out of their possession. you are also to govern the forces under your Command according to the laws enacted by the Generall Ct to attend to all such orders & commands as you shall receive from time to time from the general Court Councill or other Superior authority.

Given in Boston 29 jan, 1676. Past E. R. S.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 101.

A journal account of this expedition was kept by Major Walderne, which Mr. Hubbard published in his History, from the original copy. Only an abstract can find place here.



On February 17th Major Walderne, with his whole command. sailed from Blackpoint for "Portland." On the east side of Cape Elizabeth one of their scouts, John Pain (former keeper of the Major's Pennacook truck-house, probably), appeared and reported the way clear of ice and Indians. They sailed across to "Mary Point" (Mare-point), arriving late at night. On the 18th the scouts found a birch canoe and the tracks of three Indians at "Muckquet" (Maquoit). Just as the companies were drawn up for the march, five canoes of Indians landed on an island opposite (probably Birch Island) and signalled for a parley; John Pain was sent, and they promised to bring the captives in the morning. Pain returned to the Indians, and "Simon," one of their leaders, came as a hostage in his place, who being questioned by the Major, declared that "Blind Will" stirred up late trouble; that they desired peace; that Squando was over at the island and would return the captives to Major Walderne. Squando was summoned, and replied that he would meet the Major if he would come half way alone in a canoe. Major Walderne refused, and the Indian promised to come in the morning. On the 19th they appeared in fourteen canoes. They landed upon a point where there was a house which was set on fire, and their scouts seemed to challenge our men to fight, upon which our troops marched against them as secretly as possible, when they fled, but Capt. Frost came upon their main body and had a sharp skirmish, killing and wounding several without any loss to his own. But anxious for the captives, the Major immediately hung out a flag of truce, which was immediately answered with one by them. John Pain and "Simon" therefore met and had an explanation half way between the lines. The house was fired accidentally, and their scouts did not mean to challenge ours, but hailed them according to their custom; said the captives were a great way off and had not yet arrived, but promised them next day. On the 20th they were weather-bound. On the 21st they sailed for Arrowsick. On the 22d they sailed up the river till stopped by the ice, and then landed their forces about twelve miles from Abbigadassit Fort, at which they arrived after a six-hours' march, and found the fort empty. On the 23d, at a council-of-war, it was decided that Major Walderne should sail with some part of his forces for the Penobscot, while the rest should remain and build a garrison. On the 24th the Major located a site opposite the lower end of Arrowsick Island, "at John Baker's house." Sunday, February 25th, they rested at this place. On the 26th Major Walderne with sixty men in two vessels sailed for Penobscot River. On the way two Indians signalled them from a canoe off "Gyobscot Point," and John Pain and Walt. Gendal were sent to speak with them, and were told that many Indians and some English captives were at Pemaquid. The whole force immediately

¹ Falmouth, this probably the first mention as " Portland."



set sail and came to that place about four o'clock that same day, and were immediately hailed by Indians from "Mr. Gardner's Fort." John Pain was sent ashore to them and found the chief sagamore Mattahando with other sachems and "sundry sorts of Indians." The chief wished to speak with Capt. Davis, and was very desirous of peace, promising to deliver the captives then at Penobscot next morning. Capt. Davis with John Pain went ashore and stayed, while three sagamores went aboard to talk with Major Walderne, who soon after went ashore with six men unarmed, and was promised that the captives should be delivered next morning. On the 27th, after a long negotiation and a ransom of twelve skins to each captive, they delivered William Chadburne, John Whinnick (Winnock) and John Wormwood, these being all they would own that they had, or that it could be proved that they had. Some of the old sagamores seemed to be sincere. and declared that they were against the war, but could not rule their young men. Our officers, however, had little confidence in them, and in council decided to get all the captives and then to try to surprise their whole company. In pursuance of this design the Major with five others went ashore bearing a part of the ransom and carefully providing against surprise. While looking about to discover if the Indians were as wisely provided against Christian treachery as they against heathen treachery, he found a lance-head partly concealed under a board, seizing which he immediately advanced upon the Indians, charging them with treachery, swung his cap above his head as a signal to his men to come ashore, as was agreed, while those who were with the Major immediately rallied about to defend him from the Indians who advanced to seize him, and also to secure the goods which he had brought ashore. Some squaws seized a bundle of muskets that were hidden close by, and fled with them. Capt. Frost and Lieut. Nutter captured Megunnaway, "a notorious rogue," and carried him on board their vessel. As soon as the English got on shore they pursued the Indians to their canoes so closely that they were able to kill seven before they reached their boats, and as many more probably afterwards. Four were taken prisoners, of whom one was the sister of Madockawando. The old chief Mattahando was among the killed. Not more than twenty-five warriors were present in this engagement. The English secured a large amount of plunder, about a thousand pounds of dried beef with the rest. Megunnaway was next day executed by shooting, it being declared by witnesses that he was concerned in the killing of Thomas Bracket at Falmouth. On February 28th they sailed back to Kennebec, where Lieut. Fiske with a party of forty men secured some forty bushels of wheat, several cannon, some anchors, and a great quantity of boards from Arrowsick, a part of which they loaded upon their vessels. They killed two Indians upon Arrowsick Island, where they discovered the body of the lamented



Capt. Lake, which was wonderfully preserved. This was brought home to Boston, where they arrived March 11th, 1676-7.

This expedition was the closing active military service of Major Walderne, although he still retained his office as Major, and was constantly concerned as such, and held his place as magistrate and leading citizen during his life. In the spring of 1678 this war with the Indians closed. Major Walderne, however, became involved in the strife of the factions that claimed the government of New Hampshire, and his life thus continued in turbulence, even to its tragic close, the manner of which requires here some notice, even though many years had passed after Philip's War.

For about eleven years there had been peace with the Indians. The Pennacooks had long ago returned, and Kankamagus above mentioned had by his energy and wisdom restored them to something of their former prosperity. But this chief was somewhat impatient under the constant unjust encroachments and wrongs of the English, and their constant threats that they would bring the Mohawks upon them, and at last, involved in some new occasion of complaint, he fled to his relatives among the Androscoggins some time in the year 1686, where, finding some others with like wrongs and resentments, he became a nucleus of discontent. There were many also scattered among the Eastern tribes who had been captured at Dover in 1676 and sold into slavery, and had made their way back to find their tribes scattered, their families broken up and lost. To many of these nothing was left but hate and vengeance upon the English, and especially against the one man whom they believed responsible for the transaction; the man was Major Walderne. Other causes were doubtless at work at the Eastward by the designs of the French and the Jesuit missionaries in the zeal for their religion; but the resentment seems to have centred upon Cocheco and Major Walderne. In June, 1689, the people began to be aware of large numbers of strange Indians among those who came in to trade, and many did not seem to come for that purpose, but were observed carefully scrutinizing the defences and approaches. The people became alarmed, and one after another many came and urged Major Walderne to take some precautions of defence. He, however, would not hearken, laughed at their fears, and told them to "go and plant their pumpkins," and he would tell them when the Indians should attack them. There were many old friends of the Major and of the English of Dover among the neighboring Indians, and some of these tried to warn them of their danger. A squaw came through the town, and here and there significantly recited the words which have been handed down in the rhyme,

[&]quot;O Major Waldron, you great sagamore, What will you do, Indians at your door."



the plot against Dover, and sent down a letter of warning to the Council at Boston, as follows:

Hond Sir

This day 2 Indians came from Pennacook, viz. Job Maramasquand and Peter Muckanug, who report y' damage will undoubtedly be done within a few days at Piscataqua, and y' Major Waldrons, in particular, is threatened; and Intimates fears y' mischief quickly will be done at Dunstable. The Indians can give a more particular account to your honor. They say iff damage be done, the blame shall not be on them, having given a faithful account of what they hear; and are upon that report moved to leave y' habitation and corn at Pennacook. S', I was verry loth to trouble you and to expose myself to the Censure and derision of some of the confident people, that ware pleased to make sport of what I sent down by Capt. Tom. I am constrained from a sense of my duty and from love of my countrymen to give the acct. as above. So with my humble service to your Honor, and prayers for the safety of an Indangered people,

I am, Sr, your humble servant Tho: Hinchman.

June 22 [1689]

Mass. Archives, yol. 107, p. 139.

This letter was received by Mr. Danforth, and on the 27th laid before Gov. Bradstreet and the Council, and a messenger was sent to Dover the same day with this warning to Major Walderne:

Boston: 27.: June: 1689

Honord Sir

The Governor and Councill haveing this day received a Letter from Major Henchman of Chelmsford, that some Indians are come unto them, who report that there is a gathering of some Indians in or about Penecooke with designe of mischiefe to the English, amongst the said Indians is one Hawkins [Hogkins or Kankamagus] is said to be a principle designer, and that they have a particular designe against yourselfe and Mr. Peter Cotlin which the Councill thought it necessary presently to dispatch Advice thereof to give you notice that you take care of yo' own Safeguard, they intending endeavour to to betray you on a pretention of Trade. Please forthwith to Signify import hereof to Mr. Cotlin and others as you shall think necessary, and Advise of what Information you may receive at any time of the Indians motions.

By Order in Councill,

Isa: Addington, Sec'v.

For Major Rich^d Walden and Mr. Peter Coffin or either of them at Cocheca with all possible [haste]

Mass. Archives, vol. 107, p. 144.

The messengers made all possible speed for Dover, but were detained at the Ferry at Newbury, and did not arrive until June 28th, the day after the blow had fallen. On the evening of the 27th two squaws applied at each of the garrison houses for permission to sleep inside, as was often done, and two were admitted into each of the garrisons, Walderne's, Heard's and Otis's, and



were shown how to unfasten the gates if they wished to go away during the night. There was a report of a great number of Indians coming to trade next day, and the sachem Wesandowit, who had taken supper at the Major's, asked him pointedly, "Brother Waldron, what would you do if the strange Indians should come?" "I could assemble a hundred men by lifting up my finger," replied the Major, in careless indifference. And thus all retired to rest; no watch was placed and no precautions taken.

After midnight the gates were opened by the squaws. The Indians waiting outside rushed in and took possession without any alarm and rushed into the Major's rooms. Aroused from sleep, the old man sprang up, seized his sword, and despite his eighty years, drove them before him through several rooms, but turning to secure other arms, they sprang upon him from behind and struck him down with a hatchet; they bound him into his arm-chair and placed him upon a long table; they mocked him, and asked, "Who shall judge Indians now?" They compelled the family of the Major to prepare them supper, after which they drew their knives, and slashed the helpless old man across the breast, saying "I cross out my account." They then cut off his ears and nose and forced them into his mouth, till at last, when fainting with the loss of blood he was about to fall, one of them held his sword beneath him, upon which falling he expired.

The following letter was written by his son, who was then at

Portsmouth, as is seen:

Portsmo: 28th: June 1689 abt 8 a clock morning Just now came ashore here From Cocheca Jnº Ham & his wife who went hence last night home wod (they living wthin a mile of Maje Waldron) & abt break of the day goeing up the river in a cannoo they heard guns fired but notwinstanding proceeded to Land at Majr Waldrons landing place by weh time it began to be light & then they Saw abt twenty Indas near Mr. Cottins Garrison Shooting & Shouting as many more about Richard Otis's & Tho: Pains but Saw their way clear to Maj' Waldrons where they Intended Imediately to secure themselves but comeing to the gate & calling & knocking could receive noe answer yet saw a light in one of yo Chambers & one of ym say (looking through a crack of the gate) that he saw Sundry Indns wthin ye Garrison weh suppose had murther'd Majr Waldron & his Familie & thereupon they betook ymselves to make an escape went they did & mett win one of Otis sons who alsoe escaped from his Fathers garrison Informing vt his Father and ye rest of the Family were killed. Quickly after [they] set sundry houses aftre this is all the Acc" wee have at prsent web being given in a Surprize may admitt of some alteration but Doubtlesse the most of those Families at or abt Cochecha are destroyed.

The above Acc" was related to mee. RICHARD WALDRON, junt.

Mass. Archives, Hutchinson Papers, vol. 3, p. 376.

Thus tragically closed the eventful life of Major Richard Walderne, in the opinion of many the most notable of the early settlers of New Hampshire.



XXII.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM HATHORNE.

WILLIAM HATHORNE, the father of Captain William Hathorne, was the son of William and Sara, of Binfield. Berkshire Co., England, born about 1607, and came to this country with Winthrop, in the Arbella, in 1630, and settled first at Dorchester, where he was a land holder, and appears prominently in affairs in the earliest days of the settlement, and until 1636, when he removed to Salem. He was admitted freeman in 1634, and was chosen deputy in 1635 and 1637, and from Salem many times afterwards; and when, in 1644, the "House of Deputies" elected a Speaker for the first time, he was elected, and served in that position for several years afterwards. He was elected Assistant in 1662, which office he retained until 1679, and the history of the times in which he lived shows him to have been one of the most able, energetic, and widely influential men in New England, in his day. He was mentioned as present at the great "training" at Boston, 1639; was commissioned Captain of the company at Salem, May 1, 1646, and Major before 1656. See also "Wonder-working Providence," p. 109. While he was evidently narrow and bigoted in his religious theories, and arbitrary and intolerant in the administration of affairs, both of church and state, he was the zealous and fearless advocate of the personal rights of freemen as against royal emissaries and agents.

The investigations of our Mr. Waters, in the English Archives, have revealed the Hathorne ancestry in England as given above, and from additional data gathered by him and others, we have room for the following brief statement, tracing the descent of the distinguished Nathaniel Hawthorne of our own day from this

eminent ancestor.

William ² Hathorne brought with him to this country his wife Anne, by whom he had children:

i. A daughter.2

ii. Sarah, b. March 11, 1634-5; m. Joseph Coker, of Newbury.

Eleazer,² b. Aug. 1, 1637; m. Abigail, dan. of George Curwen.
 Nathaniel,² b. Aug. 11, 1639.

v. John, b. Aug. 5, 1641; m. Ruth Gardner, dau. of George.



vi. Anna,2 b. Dec. 12, 1643; m. Joseph Porter.

vii. William, b. April 1, 1645; m. Sarah ----.

viii. Elizabeth,2 b. 1649; m. Israel Porter.

Major William Hathorne died in 1681, in his 74th year. Will probated June 28, 1681; mentions son William lately deceased, and Sarah the widow of the same, and her heirs; appoints wife Anne sole executrix.

JOHN² Hathorne, distinguished both in civil and military affairs, serving as Captain in the war with the Eastern Indians, the Colonel of a regiment, and in the expedition of 1696 chief commander; admitted freeman 1677; Deputy, 1683; Assistant, 1684-1711 (except in Andros's brief rule), and is remembered unhappily as the most intolerant and cruel of the judges in the witcheraft delusion. He had, by his wife Ruth (Gardner):

i. John.³ ii. Nathaniel.³ iii. Ebenezer.³

iv. Joseph, 3 bapt. June, 1691; m. Sarah, dau. of William Bowditch.

v. Ruth.3 vi. Benjamin.3

Joseph ³ and Sarah (Bowditch) had children: — 1. William. ⁴
2. Joseph. ⁴ 3. John. ⁴ 4. Sarah. ⁴ 5. Ebenezer. ⁴ 6. Daniel. ⁴

7. Ruth.

Daniel,⁴ m. Rachel Phelps, and had children:—1. Daniel,⁵ died soon. 2. Sarah,⁵ 3. Eunice,⁵ 4. Daniel,⁵ 2d. 5. Judith,⁵ 6. Nathaniel,⁵ b. May 19, 1775; he was a sea captain and died in Surinam in 1808; married Elizabeth Clark Manning and had two children:—1. Elizabeth Manning,⁵ b. Mar. 7, 1802. 2. Nathaniel,⁶ b. July 4, 1804; m. Sophia Peabody, at Salem, July, 1842, and died at Plymouth, N. H., May 19, 1864. He changed the old surname to Hawthorne, and by his genius placed it in the front rank of the world's great authors. The apology for this digression is the eminence of this Nathaniel Hawthorne.

Other descendants of Major William, 1 through other lines of descent than John and William, Jr., are scattered over the whole

country, and bear both forms of the surname,

Capt. WILLIAM² HATHORNE, son of Major William, and the subject of this sketch, has, in all published accounts known to me, been very strangely overlooked by being identified as one with his father. My attention was first called to the error of that supposition by the mention of his "father" in his letter from Casco, Sept. 22, 1676. I found that he was engaged at the Eastward from September 6th up to November 10th, and that his father, Major William, Assistant, was present in his place in the General Court at Boston most of that time: that administration upon the estate of Capt. William was granted to his widow Sarah, February 4, 1678–9, Daniel Gookin and William Hathorne (Major) being the Magistrates. Major William died 1681, and in his will men-



tions having given his son William land at Groton which he

confirms to his widow Sarah and her heirs.

In the expedition of December, 1675, against the Narragansets, as has been previously noted, Capt. Hathorne was appointed lieutenant of the company under Capt. Joseph Gardiner, and when that brave officer fell, at the great "Fort Fight," he succeeded to the command of the company, which he held during the remainder of that campaign, and, as we have seen in that chapter, most of that company were paid off as having served under him.

In August, 1676, Capt. Hathorne was again called into service (as has been noted in several previous chapters), to take com-

mand of the forces sent to the Eastward.

After the surrender of the great body of Indians at Cochecho was accomplished in September, Capt. Hathorne immediately pushed forward with his forces towards the East. He had a force of four companies besides his own, numbering, probably, in all, nearly four hundred men; his own and Capt. Sill's men numbered one hundred and thirty, and, together with Capt. Hunting's company of forty Indians, made up the Massachusetts quota, to which Major Walderne was expected to add about as many more of his own men and recruits in Yorkshire, these last two companies to be under Capt. Charles Frost of Kittery, and the whole force under Capt. Hathorne as Major. This "army" marched from Berwick to Wells on Sept. 8th, where they probably were delayed for a day or two, organizing for the march and deliberating as to the marching to Ossipee, where it was rumored that a large force of Indians with their women and children were gathered in an old fort which some traders had built them as against the Mohawks, and where were a good many English captives taken just before from the plantations, from Kennebec to This expedition was the plan of General Denison, but discretionary power had been given Capt. Hathorne, and as rumors of large bodies of Indians still threatened the people that remained shut up in their garrisons in some of the seaside towns. who would perhaps fall upon these nearer places if they should withdraw, it was finally decided to go to the relief of the threatened towns. They accordingly marched from Wells to Winter Harbor, and thence by water passed to Blackpoint, and thence to Casco, where they arrived on the 19th, and on the 22d the Captain sends the following letter:

Cascho 22^d Sept. 1676.

Hon^d Sir

Att 9 a clock at night.

I have not had anything to writte nor anythinge woorth Information, wee came Into these parts ye 19th Instant when we catched an Indian; Sagamore of Pergwakick (and took ye gun of another) who informed us that Kennebec Indians were to come Into these parts that night or the next day he told us that ye Indians In these parts are not above 30 or 40 fighting men & that these keep upp at Orsybee or Pergwakick, which is :60: myles from us, he saith he knows of no



French men among them as ye Inhabitants Informed us, wee found him in many lyes, & so ordered him to be put to death, & ve Cochecho Indians to be his executioners; which was redily done by them, this day, going over a River wee were Ambuseaded, but soon gott over and putt them to flight, killed dead In ye Place but one Named Jno Sampson, who was well acquainted with Maj. Waldens Indians, they say he was a Captaine, but such are all ye Ennemyes they kill (he was double Armed which wee took) wee find itt very difficult to come neire them there is soe many Rivers & soe much broken land, that they soon Escape by canoes; ye country being full of them, I would Intreat your Hon's to Order something Concerning ye State of affaires here, Many Inhabitants of ye place being come to take off, these Come and kill there Cattle only they want some helpe from us, I know not whether it may be for ye Interest of ye Country for all to stay; & If wee goe into ye Country to Peggwackick we can leave none, I desire your Hon 13 Advise and commands concerning this Also, Wee have had noe bread these three dayes I suppose ye reason is ye contrary Winds, because I have sent to Mr. Martin twice; have had one returne but noe bread, wee can do well without unless we goe up into ye country while our people are in health as they are generally praysed be yo Lord for itt, I Humbly Request your Honour to Remmember my duty to my father & Love to Rest of Friends, If you have an opportunity & soe I Rest

your Hon's Humble Servant
WILLIAM HATHORNE.

The Indian that was taken told us that there be 20 English Captives at Peggwackick 2 of them men, & that Capt. Lake was killed, they

say that Kennebeck Indians kill all.
Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 61.

I have found no reference to the place which Capt. Hathorne's troops occupied during their stay at Falmouth, but as it appears that the Neck had been deserted, and the outlying residents driven away and their homes destroyed, it seems probable that those who had fled to Blackpoint and vicinity for safety, mostly returned with the troops to Munjoy's Garrison, and among these were probably George Felt and those others who, on Sept. 23d, ventured in boats upon "Munjoy's Island" (to secure some sheep left there in their flight), and were all cut off by the Indians who were concealed there, lying in wait. Felt and his companions made a desperate resistance, having fled to the ruins of an old "Stone House," but were overpowered and destroyed. in plain sight of our forces, who lacking boats sufficient, were entirely unable to prevent the sad issue of this attempt, against which Capt. Hathorne had earnestly protested, there being no sufficient vessel to carry over an adequate guard, and a large body of the enemy known to be in the vicinity. Our Indian scouts were out after the enemy constantly, and captured those referred to in the letter, and evidently did nearly all the really effective work, for which, however, but little credit was given them by the English, except suspicion of carelessness or treachery and



cowardice; and yet Capt. Hathorne's next letter protests against the withdrawal of these same Indians. It was very hard for the English to learn that their unwieldy troops and clumsy methods were no match for the quick-moving and wary enemy, who fled before the advance of the troops, and then dodging around them, struck a blow in the rear. Two days after the tragedy at Munjoy's Island, another party struck a sudden blow at Wells, and anon at Cape Neddick, which occasioned the immediate return of the forces to that place, as will appear by the following letter:

WELLS: 2: 8: 1676

Honrd Senatre Att 9 clock morning

I received your Ordr of ye 16th of Septr on ye 25th of ye same. In Answare to weh, I have sent Capt. Hunting from here to Majr Walden: ye occation of our Returne was ye sad news of ye Enimy, burning Cape nettick & destroying ye people to ye number of 6 or 7 persons besids those of this towne which are: 3: two of them ye 24th ye other :27th: of the month; In our Returne wee mett with divers things of concernment weh I Ingadged to Aquaint your Honrs with; Impunis, att blackpoint, the people there are in great distraction and disorder; I know not of former Neglects but now they are a people ungoverned, & Attend little to ye Government there established soe that ye most of ye towne desert ye place, though we told them of a law they were Ignorant of we think we doe perfectly remember of 20th penalty for any that desert ye frontiers, weh we thinke is most Rationall, ye Inhabittants there having little to doe; we are ready to thinke they might better be Imployed there than many of ours, who have family att home and a considerable charge, to be briefe Capt. Joslin & Capt. Scottow desire an Expresse from your Honrs they having had noe knowledge of ve law.

2dy Major Pembleton att Winter Harbour wth Whome I would have left some men; as Also wth Mr. Warrin they made these objections; The Majrs were these: That he could not subsist long, & he had as good remove while he had something as to stay while all was spent, Therefore unlesse Country sends a supply or Maintaine ye Garrison there; he cannot hold out, Mr. Warrin is otherwise minded but I cannot Enlarge, supposing Majr Clarke can Inform your Honra, Since our Comming Heither we have consulted ye Millitia, who Informe us that the mind of this towne In Gen is to leave the place, & though ye Honrd Court or Councell have formerly given an Ord concerning them; In paticul vett yy now begg that itt might be renewed & that your Hon's would Ord as to these Numb of Garrison Souldiers, Soe to maintainance, they being poore yet many of them willing According to Abillity, The next thing I shall trouble your Honrs wth is ye disatisfaction that is amonget our selves, about ye drawing ye Indians off, & Majr Waldens libberty to Command off Capt. Frost, we he pretends to have, the we are two thirds and more of ye Army, Capt. Sells Company & myne being not above .9. or .10. fyles now who are judged here not more then is necessary to Garrison this towne & York, we would be bold to speak our minds further, & Crave that your Hon's may not be offended at us, or Receive from others false Information, The Indians thus drawne off by themselves as long as they have only Inda Speritts, will



doe little or noe service for ye Country who In tyme of Ingadgment ever took ye English for there bullwark, & will not Charge to Any purpose until ye Enimy fily, I think some of us have had tyme to be Aquainted wth there manners As to my selfe I would Humbly Request your Hon's to call me home; though I have An Earnest desire to doe god & ye Country service, yett there is a Straing Antypathy in me Against lying in Garrison, Here is many of our Company sick of violent distemps one of myne is dead & two others I much feare, The Lord derect your Hon's & give us your servants prudence to Act by your Ord's According to his good will and pleasure.

I remaine Your Hon¹⁸ Humble Servant

WILLIAM HATHORNE.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 65.

After the return to Wells there was delay and uncertainty about preparations for the march to Ossipee, until the news of the capture of Black point and the threatened approach of the victorious Indians put the troops upon the guard of the towns near at hand. Capt. Hathorne and his forces remained in these parts in service until November 1st, when in company with Capt. Sill he set forth upon the long delayed march to Ossipee, where they arrived after a very hard march of four days, finding never an Indian on the way or at the Great Fort. The Captain sent a party of his men up some twenty miles farther, but without result, and having burnt the fort, the companies returned to Berwick, where they arrived on November 9th. In the meantime, the treaty with Sachem Mugg had been concluded, and the troops under Capt. Hathorne were soon dismissed.

It will be remembered that the latest credits contained in Hull's accounts are September 23, 1676, so that the men serving under the Captain in this expedition had credit in a later Journal, which

is now lost. For earlier credits see ante, p. 166.

The following petition explains itself:

To the Hon² Generall Court now Assembled in Boston; 1679; The humble peticon of Sarah Hathorne widdow to Capt. William Hathorne deceased

Humbly Showeth

That your peticoners late husband, being employed in the Countreyes service against the Indians, was not satisfyed the arrears due to him for his said service; the bill not being delivered to the Treasurer in time, through the negligence of the constable; which caused the Treasurer to refuse payment; and your peticoners husband, being deceased, hath left your peticoner in a meane condition, as to her outward estate, being indebted to severall persons and not in a capacity to make payment, without receiving her late husbands arrears from the country.

The p'misses considered your peticoner humbly eraves, this hond



Court would be pleased to order speedy payment of the arrears due to her late husband, in such proportion as yor honors in wisdom shall judge convenient.

And yor peticoner (as in duty bound) shall pray for your Honors prosperity.

SARAH HATHORNE.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 237.

This was granted. See also Coll. Records, Vol. V., p. 282.



XXIII.

CAPT. JOSHUA SCOTTOW AND HIS MEN.

JOSHUA SCOTTOW came to Boston with his mother Thomasine, who joined the church September 21, 1634. He with his brother Thomas joined the church May 19, 1639. He married Lydia——, and had Joshua, b. Sept. 30, 1641, and died soon; Joshua, b. Aug. 12, 1643; Lydia, bapt. June 29, 1645; Elizabeth, b. July 29, 1647; Rebecca, b. October 10, 1652; Mary, b. May 11, 1656; Thomas, June 30, 1659, grad. H. C. 1677. Capt. Scottow was of the Artillery Company in 1645, Ensign in 1656, and Captain afterwards. Elizabeth Scottow m. Thomas, son of Major Thomas Savage, and had a large family. Rebecca m. Benjamin Blackman, April 1, 1675, and Mary m. Samuel Checkley. Capt. Scottow was a very energetic man, an enterprising and

eminently prosperous merchant. He was largely engaged in foreign commercial transactions, and from 1651–7 was the confidential agent of La Tour in his business with our colony.

In 1660 Mr. Scottow bought of Abraham Jocelyn, of Blackpoint, two hundred acres of land, including the hill since known as "Scottoway's Hill;" and in 1666 he purchased of Henry Jocelyn the "Cammock Patent," which at the granting to Thomas Cammock in 1631 consisted of fifteen hundred acres of land lying between the Blackpoint and Spurwink rivers. Cammock left his entire estate to his friend Henry Jocelyn, with the care of his widow during her life. Jocelyn married the widow Margaret, and some twenty years afterwards conveyed the property as above, together with seven hundred and fifty acres outside the Patent, remaining upon it, however, as agent for Mr. Scottow. Capt. Scottow removed to Blackpoint settlement about 1670, and engaged with great energy in improving his property there, and in his fishing and commercial transactions.

The first mention I have found connecting Capt. Scottow with the Indian war is in the Colonial Records, vol. V., p. 57, at the session of the Court convened October 13, 1675, as follows:

Upon the sad intelligence from Saco & the great danger of all those parts, it is ordered, that there be 50 soldiers immediately from Boston and Charls Toune sent away in some vessel or vessells for the releife



of those parts, and that they be under the command of Leiftennt Scottoway, and that Major Clarke take care that this order be effected as to the dispatch of the men, & furnishing ammunition and provission for the voyage.

The "sad intelligence" was connected with the attack upon Saco, the details of which are in Major Walderne's letter of September 25, 1675, given heretofore; Robert Nichols and his wife were killed just before this by the Indians who had made an unsuccessful assault upon Major Phillips's garrison at Saco.

But previous to these occurrences, Capt. Scottow had fortified and provisioned his house and gathered into it as many of the people as would come. His garrison was the Jocelyn House on the "Neck," distant from the farms of many of the inhabitants, who reluctantly abandoned their homes, cattle and crops to the ruin which was daily threatened. It seems evident that Capt. Scottow, with the small number of undisciplined men under his command, mostly inhabitants, and those employed by him, was in no capacity to send out a relief party to other parts of the town; and when the Indians attacked some of these still remaining on their farms, it was plainly imprudent to risk any small party such only as he could have sent, to the almost certain ambushment and destruction, to which the burning, and firing of guns seemed to invite them. His enemies sometime afterwards sought to injure him by bringing charges of neglect to help his neighbors, among other charges preferred against him. Alger brothers, Andrew and Arthur, had a large estate at that part of Scarborough known as Dunstan, and so named by them for their old English home, and they had there a fortified house, but upon the opening of hostilities evidently withdrew their families into Sheldon's garrison at Blackpoint. When Major Walderne had returned home he left sixty of his soldiers to garrison the different settlements, Saco, Falmouth and Scarborough, and these were distributed according to the need, at Scottow's, Sheldon's and Foxwell's garrison-houses. Capt. John Wincoll was posted at Foxwell's with a company of soldiers, and in October was assisting the settlers to harvest their corn. One of Capt. Wincoll's soldiers, Peter Witham, was detailed to help the Algers get their grain, and said that a few days after, as they with some of their relations were getting their goods from their houses, they were attacked by the Indians, when Andrew was killed and Arthur mortally wounded; and the said Witham, fifty-three years afterwards, being then seventy-two years old, testified that he helped to bury both the Algers. Mr. Hubbard gives the date of the attack upon the Algers October 9th, 1675.

The events of the war in Scarborough immediately following the above, are shown in the following letter from Capt. Scottow:



Honoured Sr.

After all due submission to y' self wth the Honoured Councill, these are to declare ye state of ye affaires at preent, since ye sent by Jo: Short or men being sent up ye rive to secure those barnes of corne left wea accordingly they applyed ym selves to doe and to repaire or water-mill (being or onely relief for grinding) they met wth no opposition nor could have sight for 3 daies of above one Indian upon the 3d of this currt they having finished one mans come & upon landing of it in canoes 19 of or p'tie being there were assaulted and surrounded by at least 60 or 80 Indians & had bin all cut of had not St Tippet come in with his p'tie to their timous relief who was on ye other side river to help wheat &c. out of another barne whereupon the enimy retreated into the bushes it being a foggy day could not soe well discerne wt execution they did upon ym disinabling one Indian soe as to leave his speare behind him, much firing on both sides, one of us wounded one drowned by hasting into a cano, next day a country souldier of his own accord went downe ye marsh & hollowed & an Indian came up to him being of Piscataquay & his acquaintance they prlied and smokt a pipe of tobacco together yo Indian having laid down his gun & he seemingly

did ve same, a small rive prting ym.

(ye larger narrative C. Winkall & myself have sent to Majr Walden to be conveyed unto ye Majr Gen'l I refer yr Honours unto) ye substance of yo discourse was they willingly would have peace, & kept 2 women two caseo children, foure men prisoners to ddlr up if it might be &c. if not let time and place be appointed & they would fight veenglish & as it was misreported to C. Winkoll & myself they would stay 48 hours for an answer but it seeme it was ye next day the Indian put his signall next day but none having an order to treat him, or men therefore secure the wheat threshed out & a shallop being there to fetch it of they sent none to discourse him, upon wen they ye enemy as they had done ye day before & yt during the parlee fired stacks of hay and some houses; or men y' afternoon being pinched for want of bread and of victualls, could not be prevailed with by their officers to continue in ye farme house which they had fortified until further order web was designed a retreating place upon fighting ym though a small rev pted ym & ye Indians rendezvouze, in order to fighting ym I had visited ye next garrison and drawn of wt I durst to assist or soldiers up ye rive, but towards ve evening understanding or mens resolves, sent vm up bread &c. with an express charge not to desert ye place wthout further order, but it could not come to y'm soe as to hinder their moving downe weh was upon the 5th day currt in the night next morning we designed ye sending ym all up as soone as ye tide would p'mit, & had ordered all to ye end but upon ye sight of theire enemies burning of yt house weh they had fortified & of my barne of corne which was left unburnt there wih advice of Cap^{ne} Winkoll & the rest of y' officers, we altered o' designe & this day purpose wth all or strength to fetch in the inhabitants come left in their deserted houses, the enemy firing all before ym in web doing an opportunity of fighting ym may also psent well o'r souldiers long for but we want fixed armes divers of these sent, not servicable & two or three disenabled in or last ingagement, please to dispatch or supply of flints &c. sent for in my last to Maj' Clark we are in distress for want of ym, especially bread not having but two dayes bread left at a cake a



day wth y^e allowance I reduced o' souldiers unto at first coming, wth bread is borrowed from fishermen and myself we have no grinding nearer than Piscataquay, not else but begging prayers and y^t y^e deluge of sin wth I grieve is among o' souldiers as well as inhabitants may be stopped by reason whereof this overflowing scourge pursueth us (this place being now y^e seat & center of y^e Eastward war) Casco & Kenebee being all quiet & peace as by yesterdies intelligence I understand, I humbly subscribe myself

ffrom ye Head quarters at Blackpoint at 3: o:clock in ye morning this 6th 9br 1675 y^{is} & y^e Countries most humble serv^t Josh: Scottow.

(Postscript.)

May it please you to take notice that instead of the 50 designed here are but 38 sent div^{rse} of y^m insufficient for service & some soe mutinous that we cant with safety inflict y^e punishment they deserve, for the pursueing of my comition here is need of 100 men completely armed and bread sent, for flesh I hope we have enough.

Mass. Archives, vol. 68, pp. 44-5.

The following letter is evidently in answer to the above from Capt. Scottow:

COUNCIL'S LETTER TO CAPT. SCOTTOW.

Capt. Scottow. We received vo' letter & saw another sent by you to Maj Walderne; we peeive y Indians do sometimes allarum you and obstruct ve getting in of provisions & come if such another overture as that Indian made yt met ye soldier in ye marsh for a treaty of peace to deliver ye english prisoners should be made againe wee advise order & som of you there to treat with yill & see what termes you can come to & Apoint a cessation of armes untill their offers may be considered by us & endeavour to procure ye delivery of prisoners & wee will deliver as many of theirs y' are at Boston. peace is better if it can be obtained upon good termes & som pledges or hostages given; for security; as for a supply of more men we cannot comply wth you therein; wee have so many places to strengthen y' wee cannot doe alle; wee are sure you have as great a proportion as most places of ye like concernement, we here you want neither corne, flesh nor fish & so long you be in straits & though yor mills ly at a distance yet a samp morter or two will make a supply to prent any great sufferings as for sending of Bisket we dare not give y' p'sedent, for all other places garrisoned by the country soldiers are p'vided for with victualis by ye people they secure; it is enough for ye Country to pay wages & find ammunition; our armies y' are in motion require more yn the Country is well able to beare especially yo' easterne parts are concerned to ease the publicke purse what they may because they know of nothing yt was ever put into it from thense. Therefore wee desire you to make the best Improvement you can win the strength you have for your owne deffense & offense of the enimy until God send beter times; wee have inclosed the printed laws to restrayne mutinous soldiers let y' be read to y' soldiers. And notice taken of ym yt transgresse; & if you find yourself too weeke to deale wth them let ye ringleaders bee sent to prison wth evidense of ye fact;



wee have not more at psent but desire the Lords psence blessing & protection to be wth & over you

alle remaine your loving friends

postscript if you find our soldiers any Burden or inconvenience to you you are Authorized hereby to dismise y^m or any of y^m either thither or to Maj' Walderne

Past this letter by the councill the 15th of

Endorsed—"Councills letter to Capt. Scottow 16: 9 mo. 1675." Mass. Archives, vol. 68, p. 59.

Details of the service from October 25, 1675, to May 1676, are given in the following Journal which is preserved in manuscript in the Library of the Massachusetts Historical Society. The manuscript is evidently a copy, made probably in 1676, when his use of the troops was called in question. This shows that much of the damage done in Scarborough was effected either before he had men or means to prevent it, and afterwards in spite of his best endeavors. These extracts contain the substance of the journal.

EXTRACTS FROM A MANUSCRIPT JOURNAL OF CAPT. SCOTTOW.

Narrative of a Journall of the diverse marches & improvement of Boston souldiers sent to Black Point.

 $1676.^1$ (8) 25. Siev^r. Serg^t landed 15 men. I disposed 6 of y^m to ffoxwell's garrison at Bluepoint, 6 to Shelden's garrison, and retayned 3 of y^m , received a l^{tre} from Major Pendleton and answered it.

26 and 27, no disturbance. I went and viewed the fortifications at the several garrisons, and discharged Mr. ffoxwell from his charge at Bluepoint, being a quarreling, discontented p*on.

29, Tho: Michell arrived with 23 soldiers who landed two houres

before day.

30, sent v° 6 scouts up v° river to discover v° enemy and view a

house w^{ch} y^e enemy ordinarily possessed, returned seeing 3 Indians. 31, that night two hours before day sent up 60 men under the conduct of Capt. Winkall who landed before day to save w^t corne they could of our Inhabit's & fight y^e enemy if found, they having appeared not long before at ffoxwell's Garrison and shot a scout as appeth pr C. Winkolls l'¹⁸ No. 2. Answered Maj. Pendleton's l'¹⁹ No. 3.

(9) 1, dispatched a shallop to Boston wth lters to Hon: Gour and coun-

cil for flints, bread &c.

2, . . . In the afternoon about 29 inhabitants were set upon by 70 or 80 Indians and had almost surrounded y^m had they not been timously relieved by Serg' Tipping who came to their relief, beat y^m into y^{*} swampes and gagned an Indian Speare.

3, Sergt Tipping sent down for recruit of powder &c. weh I sent up by yet wo carpenters and others who were come down. . . . I sent up 28 lbs of powder in a box and 90 lbs shot &c. that day there fell out a parlee betweene a country soldier & an Indian.

¹ This date is plainly a mistake made at the time of copying, in the summer of 1676. The Journal itself was kept in 1675.



Capne Winkoll came down yt night, we gave advice of the whole to

Maj. Walden and y' we intended to fight y' Indians.

 $4, \ldots$ they fell firing barnes of neer houses, haystacks and all before y^m . Y^e souldiers having got about 100 bush: wheat and other graine, and a shallop sent to bring it downe they could not be prevailed upon w^{th} all by their Serg' (as I was informed) to continue any longer being pinched for want of bread by an unworthy planter, though they wanted no flesh.

5, As soon as I heard of their intention I sent up $\frac{1}{4}$ of all the biskit I had with tobacco and rum for their incouragem', and an expresse charge to fight y^e enemy as appeth by the witnes of John Libby, Bouden and Howell No. 1 and the order delivered floxwell to carry up; but no Cano could be got though I used my utmost indeav', they came down

about 10 o'clock in the night

6, o' men went up headed by Cap^{ne} Winkoll to secure what corne of o' inhabitants was left in the N. East side in the deserted houses, and of barnes, hoping to meet ye enemy in ye march, we'n accordingly fell out, dividing themselves into 2 parties one of them was first ingaged by a party of Indians, not above 12 shewing themselves, and the other by about 16, they were engaged also and had 2 skulking skirmishes, beat y^m into ye swampes. One of the Boston souldiers was mortally wounded in ye breast. O' men retreated carrying off their wounded man.

November 7, Being Lord's day, the enemy, early in the morning burnt those houses and barnes our Cape saved the day before — they burnt also 8 or 9 descrted houses belonging to Jo: Libby and children. As soon as these fires were discovered all the souldiers and Inhabitants hasted to next garrison which was little above musket shot of them: the tyde being up and spryng tyde the bridge was overflowed which obstructed their passage witness Willet and Tydy &c. As soon as they could pass being headed by Cape Winkoll and Topping they scour the round of the towne on the N. East supposing ye enemy was gone that way to fire those houses they being only left unburnt, they met with no Indians in the march the wholeday; met Lieut. Ingersoll and 12 Caseo men who came to joyn with our men to search out and fight the Indians — that night there fell a small flight of snow.

8, We staid in our quarter till midnight got 2 shallops.

9, Landed 70 men 3 hours before day at Blue Point to find out y enemy, they had a tedious march the whole day through swampes marshes and creeks sometimes to the knees, others to the waist in snow and salt-water—saw some Indiau tracts but could find no Indiaus; Lieut. Ingersoll and all his men returned discouraged home.

10, Our men returned to their quarters.

11, A mysty wet day, no handling arms nor marching.

12, Much wind at N. West, no gitting over rivers, ye canos on ye other side imployed to git in Cummins come of Sacho to Bluepoint.

13, Capue Winkoll, Sgt Tipping and our company got over y river and marched to find Indians and drive cattell; the enemy fired two deserted houses at Sacho while o' men were on this side and brot home between 20 and 30 head of Sacho cattell.

14, Sabbath day — no disturbance — bury⁴ Sam: Ryall wounded a week before. 15, no mocion. 16, marched to drive in cattell, were



disappointed by a Quaker who drove them into the woods from us. 17, Indians came — from across ye water. 18, Cape Winkoll and the country souldiers we was attending drove cattell for Cummins and Rogers inhabitants of Sacho. 19, drove cattell for Macshawin, inhabitant of Sache. 20, I received orders from Maj Walden to fit out Lieut. Ingersol to Maj Pendleton we I wrote to him I was upon doing. 21, No disturbance being Sabbath day. 22, Serg Topping and o' men went to Dunsten to drive in cattell. 23, Lieut. Ingersoll came to ye head quarters with 12 men and we orders from o' Major to make them up to 60 or 70.

24, I made up his number to 60 men, supplying them with 8 biskit cake a man of mine own store L^t Ingersoll went up in the night to Bluepoint, landed before day with 2 shallopes, marched up the

country to the head of Sacho Falls.

25-27, Continued out one night, returned to y* headquarters and he dismissed our souldiers; L' Ingersoll returning to Casco; sent me a l*re*, to send him up 45 souldiers &c. towards his towne of Casco it being alarumed in his absence by one house burning and a man wounded. L' Ingersoll came himself to our headquarters to demand the p*roperson of the was satisfied with 20 men, and I made up Maj. Pendletons relief 20 w*ch were dispatched with all speed—great wind at N. West. 28, Mr. Neales house burnt at Casco. 30, Serg* and his comp* returned from Casco.

(10) 5, Tho: Michell arrived from Boston with a license to myself to come to Boston, and order to send y Boston souldiers home if care

was not taken to provide for y^m.

The rest of the Journal gives account of his arrangement to leave home for Boston, taking one half the Boston soldiers with him, and disposing the remainder, numbering nineteen, at various fortified houses where needed: seven at William Sheldon's; six at Mr. Foxwell's; four at Scottow's, being "the Serg', Steward, drum and a cooke to provide for them when they should all draw up to their head-quarters." Capt. Scottow sailed with the soldiers, from Blackpoint, on January 8th, and arrived in Boston on the 11th.

He returned to his charge at Blackpoint April 9th, 1676, and a treaty being in progress by Major Walderne, with the Indians, he arranged with his soldiers to go into his woods and cut

"palisado pines," for fortifying his garrison house.

There can be no doubt that Capt. Scottow was of great help in promoting the interests and assuring the safety of the people at Blackpoint; and yet he experienced the most bitter hostility and opposition from many of the inhabitants, among whom were some of the most reliable and respectable. Richard Foxwell was doubtless jealous of the large interest and influence which his extensive property gave him, as well as his loyal adhesion to the Massachusetts Court. In common with many others of the early settlers, Foxwell looked upon Scottow as a new comer, who with his Boston ideas and manners came to usurp the rightful position



of those who had held the settlement from the beginning; and it is probable that jealousy and envy largely induced the bitter hostility and the very serious charges that were preferred against

Capt. Scottow.

No further trouble with the Indians seems to have disturbed Blackpoint until August, 1676. Capt. Scottow busied himself settling his accounts and strengthening his garrison; but upon presenting his accounts for settlement by the court, he found that several of his enemies had presented complaints against his management, and a remonstrance against the payment of his accounts, as follows:

PETITION AGAINST CAPT. SCOTTOW.

Wee whose names wee have underwritten, doe declare that we were never in ye least privie to ye sending for ye souldiers which came from Boston to Blackpoint, neither during ye time of their stay did we in any sort receive advantage by them; but ye they were maintained upon ye acct. of Mr. Scottow: for all the while his fishermen were thereby capacitated to keep at sea for the whole season; and much worke was done by them which was greatlie turned to his profit; as removing of a great barn, paving before his house and cutting of Palisado stuff for a pretended fortification where there is no occasion nor need. And many more such courtesies Mr. Scottow (got) by the soldiers. And that other men should pay for his work, done under pretence of defending ye country, wee hope in behalf of the rest of ye sufferers in these sad times, you will please to take it into your serious consideration, and heape no more upon us than wee are able to beare, but where the benefit has been received, there order ye charge to be levied.

Richard Foxwell, Giles Barge,
Rol: Allanson, Joseph Oliver,
William Sheldon, John Cocke,
John Tinney.

Upon the above representations, several of the prominent men of York County carried the matter to the General Court; among these Major Pendleton, Mr. Munjoy and Mr. Foxwell were the chief complainants, and their complaints were submitted, by the auditors of York County, to the General Court August 9th, 1676 (see Colonial Records, Vol. V. p. 102). The auditing committee were Nicholas Shapleigh, Edward Rishworth, Samuel Wheelwright.

The complaints were:

1st, That Mr. Scottow got the soldiers from Boston upon his own responsibility.

2nd, That he refused to use or have others use the soldiers to pre-

serve the lives and estates of others.

3d, That he used the soldiers mostly for his own particular security and advantage; attending and strengthening his garrison, paving his yard, moving his barn, "cleaving" his wood, &c.



A note of Mr. Drake's in his edition (1865) of Mr. Hubbard's history, cites original papers, then in his possession, as testimony against Capt. Scottow. The deposition of Michael Edgecombe, aged about 25 years, declares that he was at Blackpoint when the "nine Winter-harbour men were fighting the Indians upon the Sands opposite said Place, and saw sundrie men come to Mr. Scottow importuning that he would send some Ayde over to those poore distressed men," etc., and that Capt. Scottow, though seeing the English were far outnumbered by the Indians, and must be overcome soon without releif, yet would not suffer a man to go to help them; and one John Lux came and reproached the Captain and offered to take men in his shallop across the river and land them "on shoare in Little River," near where the men were fighting, and where all were found slain next day. This was sworn to before Brian Pendleton, July 20th, 1676. Lux declared that nothing would move Capt. Scottow, although he could see the men being overpowered by greatly outnumbering savages.

Mr. Foxwell also deposed against Capt. Scottow's inhumanity in the affair of the burning of Dunstan, etc. Walter Gendall, who served as Sergeant under Capt. Scottow, and had charge of a body of soldiers at Spurwink in 1675, made a similar deposition.

The Court referred this case to the October session, and

then gave judgment, that,

This Court, having heard the complaint of M'. Rishworth exhibbeted against Captaine Scottow, &c. . . uppon a full hearing of both parties, see no reason for the aforesaid complaint, and doe judge that the said Capt. Scottow (for aughtdoth appeare) hath faithfully dischardged his trust, and is therefore acquitted from the chardge endeavo'd to be put on him, but that the same be borne by the county and that Mr. Rushworth do pay Capt. Scottow his costs and damage. The Court granted and determined the costs to be nine pounds, thirteen shillings & eight pence.

In the evidence favorable to this decision, the following paper, found in the old files of Suffolk County Court, was probably offered:

PETITION OF INHABITANTS OF SCARBOROUGH.

The humble Petition of the Inhabitants of Scarborough. Whereas Mr. Scottow of Boston Stood by us in all our streights and distresses during the late Warr with the Indians and not only encouraged us with his presence from April until January last, but also releived us with a barrell of powder and all sorts of ammunition as it cost him in Boston near to twenty pounds for which he is not yet paid, yea, then when as there was no town Stock nor a pound of powder in the Town that we know of without which supply we and our familyes must either have been destroyed or our town deserted as Casco and Saco were, we being then for divers months the seat of war and having more houses than one of the Townes and above double the other burnt and consumed:



and to keep us together since he hath this Spring helped us more with nere two hundred bushells of Indian and other Grain without which some of us could neither have planted nor sowne, some had ben pincht and others might have starved, in all things to our weak understanding he hath carryed it faithfully and carefully to the publicke interest, he being now unjustly and as far as we can deserne maliciously persecuted by some especially one Mr. Foxwell a man noted for contention and whereas there be diverse oaths taken against sd Scottow some of them to the knowledge of some of us false, and others covered with fraude and fallacy we being much troubled that for his good he should receive a bill humbly crave that he may have all right and due encouragement and vindication, and your petitioners shall further humblie pray for your honors peace and prosperity.

Henry Jocelyn Ambrose Bouden John X Libby, senior, John X Ficket Sam X Oakman John X Libby jun' Anthony Row Thomas X Bigford John Howell William × Champlin

Richard X Willing Francis X White Richard X Bassen Richard Moore Peter × Hinxen Henry X Elkins Henry X Brookins William X Burrage

Thomas X Wasgate John X Makenny Edward × Hounsell Richard × Barret Christopher × Picket Thomas Cleverly John X Vicars Dunken X Teshmond John X Simson

ADDITIONAL FAVOURABLE TESTIMONY.

These are to testifie before whom it may concern, that Mr. Scottow of Boston, being wth us when - ye men were killed upon Sacho Sands at the first heering of the guns fired there win consent of M'. Josselin gave ye Alarum all over garrison to ye whole town, drew up such of us on our armes as were at home, dispatcht our Corporall to call in such as were abroad, as also the said Scottow was very Angry with Mackshawine for saying that Captaine Wincoll and his Company were all cut off, telling him though some might be killed and the rest ffled yett it might be to gain ye advantage of ground as it proved, as also at the same time Scottow seartcht the armes and ammunition of us which were drawne up exchanging ye armes which were insufficient for his owne ffixed armes, and that hee supplied every man of all those that were sent forth, and wanted, both with powder, buletts, swan shott, biskett, and a dram of ye bottle out of his owne store, there not being at the same time one pound of powder in ye town, that wee know of but what they recved from Scottow & that the said Scottow, upon the first alarum enquire whether some of us might not bee sent in a shallop or in Canows to goe to ye releif of those men, it was answered that they could not be sent with safety neither for the men nor for their armes because of the gulf of ye sea, the wind blowing ffresh upon the shore. The said Scottow with the consent of Mr. Henery Josselin, did with as much possible speed as they could, dispatch away about twenty men over our fferry to march by land to the relief of that pty under ye charge of Serjeant Olliver, yea so many men did they send away that some of us complained against them saying they did not doe well to send out so many of their husbands and children, supposeing that if they should have been cutt off wee had not strength left at the garrison



sufficient to defend o"selves if assaulted, Yea, wee doe farther testifice that the said Scottow Acted therein to the utmost of his power soe that when some of the company manifested a backwardness to the relief above in vexation hee through his Kane upon the ground saying he would through up his Commission and never meddle more with it, and alsoe that wee could not answer to god, men, nor our owne consciences unless wee used the utmost of our endeavour to relieve those men, in testimony of the truth of what is above written we have hereunto signed and shall to the substance of the whole depose if called thereunto by lawfull Authority.

Blackpoint, July ye 15th 1676.

John × Libby Sent Rich. Willing
Tomas × Bigford
Anthony row ffrancis × White
Peter × Hinxen

The pmises above written, I attest to be truth given under my hand this 18 July 1676
HENRY JOCELYN.

Thomas Cleverly
Hen: X Elkins

Peter X Hinxen
Henry X Nookins

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 28.

During August of 1676, Capt. Scottow was evidently at Boston, leaving the conduct of affairs to Jocelyn and Tippen with Walter Gendal as a third on the "committee of the militia." Sergeant Tippen, who appears to have been a very efficient officer, being called away also, the others found themselves unable to control the inhabitants who were acting as garrison soldiers, and they wrote this letter to Capt. Scottow:

Capt. Joshua Scottow.

We underwritten being of y committee with serjeant Tippen, and both of you now being absent, shall desire you to acquaint y Governor & Councill of y averseness of the generality of y Inhabitants to obey Military orders; y they would be pleased to direct some especial order to such in this town as may bring y Inhabitants to y obedience of y Military Laws of the Government y we may be in some capacity to defend ourselves against y common enemy; and we shall remain,

Yr friends to serve you

Black Point, Aug. 9th, 1676.

HENRY JOCELYN,
WALTER GENDALL.

The Blackpoint garrison was recognized by the Indians as the strongest fortification in the Eastern Towns, and it had therefore escaped any assault in the general destruction which fell upon Casco and the Kennebec towns. In the letter of Capt. Hathorne in the last chapter, we find some account of the discontent of the people at Blackpoint and their determination to abandon the garrison and betake themselves to the safer towns to the West. The letter indicates also that Capt. Scottow was there when Capt. Hathorne visited the place, but evidently withdrew soon after; as upon October 12th the Indians appeared at the garrison, a hundred strong, with the chief "Mugg" (or Mog Hegon, Whittier's Mog Megone) at their head; they found the inhabitants all within the fort and Mr. Jocelyn in command. The



Indians did not attack, knowing that even a small number could hold it against any assault they could make. Mugg was well acquainted with all the affairs of the English, and immediately sought a parley with Mr. Jocelyn, which lasted a long time. In the meantime all the inhabitants had taken the opportunity to get out of the house and to their boats and away to the Westward towns, - Wells, Portsmouth, etc. How they could have thus effected their escape in the presence of so large a body of the enemy must be explained by the advantageous position of the garrison, and the overconfidence of the Indians. Mr. Jocelyn and his family were taken with the house and its contents, which was at once surrendered, when Mr. Jocelyn found only his own family left within. Mugg was highly elated with this great and easy success, and Jocelyn was treated kindly, and with his family soon restored to their friends. It is said that he afterwards removed to Plymouth, where he spent the rest of his days. Blackpoint garrison was not destroyed, perhaps because Mugg, in the flush of his success, believed the English would soon be driven from the country, and this would serve the Indians as a stronghold. The following paper, the original of which is preserved among the papers of the late Mr. Lemuel Shattuck, gives the list of those who were at Blackpoint just before the surrender:

> A list of ye names of ye Inhabitants at Blackpoint Garison Octo: 12th 1676.

In yo Garison.

Daniell Moore John Tenney Henry Brookin Nathaniell Willett Charles Browne Edward Hounsell

Hampton and Salsbery Soldiers

In yohutts wth out yo Gari-son but Joyning to it.

ffrancis Sholet Anthony Roe Thomas Bickford Robert Tydey Richard Moore James Lybbey John Lybbey Samuell Lybbey Anthony Lybbey George Taylor James Ogleby Dunken Chessom William Sheildin John Vickers Rrd Basson

ket shott fr. y. Gar-

ison.

muskett

Garison.

Rort Eliott ffrancis White

Richard Honywell

John Howell Ralphe Heison Living mus-Matthew Heyson Joseph Oliver Christopher Edgecome John Edgecome Micael Edgecome Robert Edgecome Livingthree Henry Elkins John Ashden shott fr. yo Johne Warrick Goodman Luscome Tymothy Collins Andrew Browne, Senior Andrew Browne John Browne Joseph Browne William Burrage Ambrose Bouden, Constable Tho: Cumming



John Herman
Samuell Okeman, Senior
Samuell Okeman
John Elson
Peter Hincson
Symond Hincson
Ried Willin
John Symson
Tho: Cleauerly
John Cocke
Red Burrough

A list of y* names of those y* ware prest by Vertue of Capt. Harthornes order to be for y* service of y* Garison of y* Inhabitants afforesaid. ffrancis Shealett Edward Hounslow James Oglebey John Cocke Daniell Moore Dunken Chesson Richard Burrough William Burrage

It is probable that the surrender of the fort at Blackpoint was a great surprise to Capt. Scottow, as it was considered by all absolutely secure, and was at the time well supplied and amply garrisoned; doubtless the cause of the desertion was the long-suppressed discontent of the people, and their panic at the approach of the large body of Indians which their fears magnified to an army. Capt. Scottow did not rest content with his defeat, however, as we see by the following item at the session of the General Court, October 25, 1676, some twelve days after the disaster.

Whereas Joshua Scottow is now sending forth a smale vessell or two wto company for the discovery of the state of the fort at Black Point, and transport of what may be there recoverable either of his or any of the inhabitants, it is ordered, that the said vessells and persons by him sent shall be & hereby are exempted from impresse upon any of the country' imploy; and Bartholomew Tipping being commended as a fitt person to take the charge of such as are to land, in case he shall judge the place tenable, he shallbe & hereby is impowered to impresse the company now sent, and any other of the inhabitants, or any other persons which maybe there found, to looke after plunder or their owne estates, and to defend & keepe the place from the enemy untill further order; and the said Scottow hath liberty to impresse some inhabitants of Black Point who lye latent, he, the said Scottow, carrying it on at his oune charge.

Sometime in November, Mugg having surrendered himself and the Indians having withdrawn, Capt. Scottow regained his fort, and Sergt. Bartholomew Tippen and soldiers, and many of the inhabitants, remained there, and more returned in the Spring. While our eastern towns from Portsmouth to Saco were kept in constant fear by frequent attacks by skulking bands, Blackpoint was not troubled until May 13th, 1677, when a great body of the enemy appeared before the garrison, and at once made a resolute onset upon it, apparently feeling assured of victory. But they had now to deal with a different man than before; Sergt. Barthol.



omew Tippen was now in command, and conducted a gallant defence during three days, in which time but three of his soldiers were killed; on the 16th the Sergeant himself made a fine shot, by which one of the leaders (supposed, at the time, to be "Simon," but afterwards found to be the celebrated "Mugg") fell, by which loss of their chief they were so disheartened that they withdrew, part towards the Kennebec, the rest toward Piscataqua and York, where they did some injury, of which and their next attack upon Blackpoint, the next chapter, taking up the operations of Capt. Benjamin Swett, will give some account.

Credited under Capt. Scottow.

January 25 1675-6				Timothy Cunnell	02	08	00
Samuel Ryall		01	04	John Lowell	02	08	00
Daniel Lancton, Corp'l.	04	04	00	Ezekiel Hamlin	02	08	00
Eben Ingolsby		12		Peter Mallandy	02	08	00
George Gregory	03	12	00	Thomas Maddis	02	08	00
Moses Richardson	03	12	00	James Ogleby	02	08	00
John Newman	03	12	00	James Barber	02	08	00
Henry Berrisford	03	12	00	Richard Huneywell	02	08	00
Roger Jones	03	12	00	William Darby	02	08	00
Charles Duckworth	03	12	00	Samuel Baker	02	08	00
Andrew Cload	03	12	00	March 24th 1675	-6		
Owen Jones	03	12	00	Samuel Johnson	02	14	00
Thomas Hobson	03	12	00	April 24, 1676			
William Howard	03	12	00	Thomas Barber	03	18	00
John Slead	03	12	00	Peter Malardino	03	09	04
Benjamin Wardall	03	12	00	June 24, 1676			
Thomas Skellito	03	12	00	John Baker	04	16	00
Thomas Hawes	03	12	00	Bartholomew Tippin	09	09	00
John Newton	03	12	00	Thomas Barber	02	02	00
Samuel Walker	03	12	00	Peter Odrego	01	04	00
Alexander Johnson	03	12	00	Francis Shelett	06	00	00
February 19, 1675-6			Timothy Couhill	06	00	00	
Bartholomew Tippin	03	12	00	Nathaniel Willet	06	00	00
Thomas Barber	02	08	00	Edward Milton	02	03	08
Nathaniel Willett	02	08	00	James Barber	06	00	00
Edward Milton	02	08	00	Peter Odrego	05	12	00
Robert Tydye	02	08	00	James Ogleby	06	00	00
Ebenezer Winter	02	08	0.0	Thomas Maddis	06	06	00
Peter Odrigoe	02	08	00	William Darby	06	00	00
Samuel Johnson	02	08	00	Robert Tidy	06	00	00
John Baker	02	08	00	Ebenezer Winter	06	06	00

There were doubtless many names credited during the autumn and winter of 1676-7, but the accounts covering that period are now lost. It will be noted, however, that many of the same names appear in this following list from a later book that are in the former. The accounts between these dates are lost.



July 24, 1677. Edward Cowle Sam. Libby John Starts August 1st 1677 Henry Libby September John Gibson Will: Burridg Nath Willet John Robin John Starts James Ogleby Richard Barrett Christopher Edgecomb Edward Hounsel

Robert Edgecomb

Saml Jordan

John Markany

John Churchill

Michael Edgecomb Thos: Cummings Thos: Irons Anthony Libby October. John Courser Lewis Price Andrew Brown John Brown John Augur John Lewis Thos: Rogers John Bezoon November. December.

Job Tooky

Joseph Hide

January 1677-8 David Middleton Andrew Johnson February 1677-8 William Milles Henery Libby March 1677-8 Thos: Bull Sami Jordan Richard Honvwell Nathaniell Willitt. John Browne Stephen Wolfe Ambross Bowden Michael Edgecomb John Tinney Richd Honywell Will: Smith

In October, 1677, upon the petition of Capt. Scottow and others of his townsmen, all the arms and ammunition then in the fort at Blackpoint were granted them for their proper defence, the same or like amount to be returned upon the order of the Court, and the inhabitants, while engaged in the defence of the garrison, were freed from all country rates.

After the close of the war Capt. Scottow returned and engaged in the development of his estate, and in building up the interests of the settlement. In 1679 he was chosen an Associate for York County. In 1681 the inhabitants at Blackpoint accepted his offer to give the town a hundred acres of land "upon the Plains between Moors Brook and the South East end of the Great Pond," as a site for the building of a fortification for the defence of the town. The land about this fort was to be laid out in lots convenient for the most compact settlement of the people, all of whom were to build upon these and pay to Capt. Scottow one shilling yearly for ever as being their "demesne Lord." people took hold with a will, and all working together soon erected a very large and strong fortification. Here the people lived, apparently in harmony, until 1686, when for some reason they declared their agreement with Capt. Scottow "null and void." but at the same time were ready enough to use the protection of his garrison in times of danger; and their opposition to him, on this as well as former occasions, is strange from our standpoint, and must probably remain unaccounted for, except for the reasons above noted, and perhaps arbitrary and eccentric manners, of which some intimations may be gathered from the petitions of his friends noted above, as well as from his writings. The people never forgot the old charge of his being the indirect cause of the



death of the Nicholses in 1675; and in 1681 he was accused of the murder of one Nathan Bedford, who was shown at the inquest to have been drowned, and the charge was probably due to the hostility of his enemies. He still held his leading position at Blackpoint until the evacuation in May, 1690, when he retired to Boston where he probably spent the rest of his days. He died January 20th, 1698, aged 83 years. His gravestone was found, October, 1850, in the tower of "The Old South Church," by workmen making repairs upon the wall under the north dial, some fifty feet from the ground. How it came there is not, I believe, yet explained. Another stone, that of William Middleton, died 1699, was found at the same time and place. Mr. Sewall, in his Journal, Jan. 21st and 22d, 1697–8, writes:

"It seems Capt Scottow died last night. Thus the New England men drop away." Jan. 22; "Capt Joshua Scottow is buried in the old burying place: Bearers Major Gen! Winthrop, Mr. Cook, Col. Hutchinson, Sewall, Sergeant, Walley: 'Extream Cold. No Minister at Capt. Scottow's Funeral nor wife nor daughter."

Capt. Scottow was the author of two very curious tracts, one in 1691, entitled, "Old Men's Tears for their own Declensions mixed with Fears of their and posterities further falling off from New England's Primitive Constitution. Published by some of Boston's Old Planters and some others." Another tract, published in 1694, has a title similar in character, but too long for insertion here except the first part, "A Narrative of the Planting of the Massachusetts Colony Anno 1628." etc. Besides these tracts there are many intimations of eccentricity in the character of Mr. Scottow. See "Memoir of Joshua Scottow," by Hon. Hamilton A. Hill, A.M. Also Sibley's "Harvard Graduates."

The accounts of Capt. Scottow for disbursements during the war were still unsettled in 1685, when the amount claimed was over two hundred pounds; the Court that year voted him a grant of five hundred acres of land in the "Province of Mayne in any free place;" and in 1686, some delay and trouble about this former grant having arisen, he was granted five hundred acres in

addition in same place and under the same conditions.

Capt. Scottow left numerous descendants, by his daughters; in his will, probated March 3d, 1698, he mentions sixteen grand-children. Thomas Scottow, only surviving son of the Captain, after graduating at Harvard in 1677, seems to have associated himself with his father; he was Recorder of York County in 1686, and signs as Deputy Register, after that until 1688. In his father's will he is bequeathed a double portion, which, if he dies without issue, shall go to his sister Elizabeth Savage. In Mr. Waters's "Genealogical Gleanings." Part I., page 210, is found Thomas Scottow's will, which declares him to be "of Boston,



Chirurgeon, now bound forth to sea in the Ship Gerrard of London, Capt. William Dennis, commander, 14 November 1698," proved 4 September, 1699. Gives his sister, Elizabeth Savage, of New England, all his real and personal estate in New England. To his "loving friend Margaret Softley of the Parish of St. Paul, Shadwell, in the County of Middlesex, widow," all his goods and chattels and estate in the said ship, and all wages that may be due him for service on the said ship at the time of his death, in satisfaction of what he shall owe her, at his death. He appoints her executrix.



XXIV.

CAPT. BENJAMIN SWETT AND HIS MEN, AND CAPT. MICHAEL PEIRSE OF PLYMOUTH COLONY.

JOHN¹ SWETT, admitted freeman of Massachusetts Colony May 18, 1642, was one of the ninety-one freeholders who were declared to be the proprietors of all commons, waste-

lands and rivers undisposed of in the town of Newbury.

Capt. Benjamin ² Śwett, son of John, ¹ was born in England about 1626; came to Newbury with his father; married there, November, 1647, Hester, daughter of Peter Weare. They settled first in Newbury, and from 1655 to 1662, in company with his brother-in-law, Nathaniel Weare, he carried on the farm of Mr. John Woodbridge of Newbury. His children, born in Newbury, were Hester, ² 7 June, 1648, m. Abin Greene, 1668; Sarah, ³ 7 November, 1650, m. Morris Hobbs, 1678; Mary, ³ 7 January, 1652, died soon; Mary, ³ 2 May, 1654; Benjamin, ³ 5 August, 1656; Joseph, ³ 21 January, 1659; Moses, ³ 16 September, 1661. And in Hampton, whither he removed about 1663, were born, Hannah, ³ 16 May, 1664; Elizabeth, ³ 2 July, 1667; John, ³ 17 May, 1670; Stephen, ³ 13 September, 1672; and perhaps another.

Capt. Swett was active and energetic. He was early chosen to fill places of trust in town and county. But he was inclined to military exercises, and was chosen Ensign of the military com-

pany in Newbury as early as 1651.

After removing to Hampton, he became prominent and influential in both civil and military affairs in Old Norfolk County; and in the well preserved and finely written document (Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 57) presented to the General Court, May 31, 1671, remonstrating against the Court's appointment of Robert Pike, as Sergeant-Major of Norfolk County, —instead of leaving the choice to the people, — we doubtless see Capt. Swett's elegant handwriting; and he seems to be the recognized leader among the prominent men of the various towns of Norfolk.

In 1675 he held the rank of Lieutenant, and is mentioned thus by Mr. Hubbard, as marching up with a small company into the woods to recover the body of Goodman Robinson of Exeter, killed by the Indians. And the first official notice I have found is the order of Council, January 17, 1675-6, mentioned hereto-



fore, showing that he was in charge of recruits then being sent out to Narraganset. February 1, 1675-6, the Council by special order granted him three pounds for the time he had been in the service; this was probably for his services in recruiting. February 29, 1675-6, he was credited under Capt. Gardiner with £3. 00s. 00d. on the treasurer's book, possibly the same item.

More than half the men credited under him assigned their credits to the town of Haverhill, and I find were nearly all inhabitants of that town. The service for which these credits are given was probably rendered in the spring of 1676, upon the frontier towns of Essex County. Captain Swett was then engaged at home, and was in command of the military at Hampton and vicinity until the next year, when he was called into the public service at the Eastward, which the following Order and Commission of the Council will explain:

Ordered that Leiftenant Benjamin Swett have a Commission for a Captains place & that he be the Conduct & chiefe of Commanders of the English & Indian forces now raysed & to Goe forth on the Service of the Country ag' the Eastern Indian Ennemy as also to order and dispose of the masters & marines & vessels now Going to said service for the better management of that affayre.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 132.

CAPT. SWETT'S COMMISSION.

Capt. Swett, You are ordered with the forces now raysed & by your Commission put under your Command to repayr to Blackpoynt & there use all possible diligence by searching & otherwise to understand the state & motions of the enemy & with your force to assayle & annoy them as much as in you lyeth. If ye Headquarters of the Enemy by advice of Major Clark & those upon the place be possible to be assaulted you are ordered to march thither with all your force; if any other small quarter of the enemy lye near & your force be in any Measure Capable in a short time to visit and fall upon them you are accordingly with all ye force Indians & English to make your march thither & assalt them; if otherwise no service against the enemy offer advising with Major Clark to whom the Councill doth refer you for advice, you shall with your whole force march down towards Pascatag, on the Backside of winter Harbor, Wels, york &c, if possible to discover the lurking places of ye enemy & fall upon them after which you shall supply, out of your company ye places of ye old garrison soldiers which went out under C. Swayne or other dismissing them home & lodge ye remayners in most convenient and necessary places for the Countryes Service & in such Companyes that upon prime exigent or order you may call ym again forth on further excursion or expedition keeping good correspondence giving account to ye Governor & Council of all occurrences.

Dated at Charlestown ye 22d of June, 1677 pr. Council. E. R. Sty.

To be released, Samⁿ. Clark, Isaak How, W^m. Hopkins, W^m. Stanley, Moses Whitney.



This final service of Capt. Swett is best told by Mr. Hubbard, the historian of the war, who, after telling of the late depredations which had been made at York, Wells and Hampton, where Edward Colcord, Jr., and three others (probably Abraham Perkins, Jr., Benjamin Hillard and Caleb Towle) were killed, continues:

The Indians thus making daily Inroads upon these weak, unfenced places, the Governor and Council resolved to raise new Forces, and having had good Experience of the Faithfulness and Valor of the Christian Indians about Natick, armed two hundred of them and sent them together with forty English, to prosecute the Quarrel against those Eastward Indians to the full; but not judging aright of the Number of the Enemy, they much underdid their Business, for besides that the Number they sent of the English was a great deal too small, those that were chosen this Bout to take their Turns in the Service Abroad, were many of them young, raw, and unexperienced Soldiers, who were not able to look Danger, much less Death, in the Face, in cool Blood, by which means it came to pass that the Enterprise succeeded so ill; for Captain Swett with Lieutenant Richardson, that was sent with him to command the friendly Indians, coming to Black Point, June 28th, he began to try the Valor and Courage of his Company before he had disciplined them, or had any Experience of their Ability to fight. The very next morning after he had landed his men, understanding by his Scouts that many of the Enemies were up and down upon the Place, he made too much Haste to fall upon them, and not mistrusting their Number, while he was marching up the Edge of an Hill with one Party, and his Lieutenant with another, the Indians, that had hid themselves in the Swamp on each Side of the Hill, suddenly fired upon the English on both Sides, which not a little discouraged his young and undisciplined Company, so as they could not, or did not keep their Ranks, but while some were ready to run and shift for themselves, the Captain strived to keep them together, to bring off the dead and wounded men, so long that he brought himself and all the Company in Danger of an utter Overthrow, which soon after took place; for the poor unskilful Soldiers, being scattered, were shifting for themselves, while a few resolute Men of Courage bore the Brunt of the Service till they were in a Manner all knocked down. Lieutenant was killed soon after the first Onset; the Captain having received near twenty Wounds, yet still held out defending and encouraging his Men, till he was surrounded with more of his enemies than he was able to grapple with, and so was at the last barbarously murdered by them within a little of the Garrison-house. There were slain at this Time somewhat above forty of the English, and twelve of the friendly Indians that assisted, very few escaping but were either killed right out or dangerously wounded.

It is to be regretted that the names of very few of all who fell in this disastrous encounter have been preserved. Besides Capt. Swett and Lieut. Richardson, the records of Andover give the names of four who went from that town who were killed, John



Parker, James Parker, John Phelps and Daniel Blanchard; and I have not been able to find any further names elsewhere. Mr. G. A. Churchill, in his researches, has found that Benjamin Rockwood was of this company, and still living in 1742. The journal of the treasurer covering this period is lost. It seems from all available references that about ninety English and Indians, under Capt. Swett and Lieut. James Richardson, were engaged in the fight at Blackpoint; but the number of Indians given by Mr. Hubbard as in the expedition is not confirmed by other evidence.

In Major Daniel Gookin's "History of the Christian Indians,"

he says:

In June, 1677, another expedition into the Eastern parts, among whom were about 36 of our Christian Indians, who were in a fight near Black point; the English lost about forty men whereof were eight of our friendly Indians, the greatest loss our [Christian] Indians sustained all the war.

This seems to imply that the eight Indians are a part of the forty that were slain, and also that but thirty-six Indians were in the command.

The instructions given in making up the force of his Lieutenant also give additional light.

Order of the Council, June 15th, 1677.

It is reffered to Major Gookin forthwith to Suply Leift. Richardson & his p^{ty} at Chelmsford with provision Ammunition & appl necessary & to order him to scout & range y^e woods between Merrimack & Pascatawq River & endeavour to kill and sease y^e Lurking enemy in those parts for w^{ch} the Major is ordered to encourage y^m wth a reward of twenty shillings for every scalpe & forty shillings for every prisoner or y^e prisoner. And also to make up in number 25 men, & to order y^m after some time spent there, to m^ch to Blackpoint garison & Their to bee at y^e ordering of Liftenant Tipping until further order from the Council the time of Randevous at Blackpoint is to bee the 26 of this Instant June if possible.

Past. Edwd Rawson, Secretary.

Mass. Archives, vol. 69, p. 129.

If these instructions were carried out, Lieut. Richardson and his Indians from Chelmsford marched overland to Blackpoint, and evidently arrived there before the hostile Indians had come from the Kennebec and Androscoggin. The vessels were a day behind the appointed time in arriving. In making up his force for scouting the woods from Blackpoint to Saco, and in the vicinity, Capt. Swett had no thought of the large numbers of the enemy that were actually near them; so that when he had drawn out his English to the number of forty, and his Lieutenant's force of thirty-six, and some of the Blackpoint men of Sergt. Tippen's command joined, he mustered in all a com-



pany of ninety. It is said that a large decoy body of the enemy showed themselves and succeeded in drawing both the commands into an ambush contrived with their usual cunning, and blindly walked into, in the usual manner of the English from the first; and the story of "Bloody-Brook," "Beers Plain," "Brookfield" and "Sudbury," is again repeated, and the simple old Indian device of decoy and ambush again overwhelms our forces and sends dismay through all the colonies. But the Indians never risked a battle on any other chance; and if their device had not succeeded here, would doubtless have disappeared, and the report would have been that our forces "could not come up with them." As it was, the Indians made no further attempt at that time, and probably suffered severely in the running fight, of which no details have been handed down. The Indians withdrew at the time, but in July following began the depredations upon the fishermen along the Eastern coast, and by midsummer had captured no less than thirteen vessels from Salem alone. They soon abandoned this enterprise, however, as they could not manage any craft that could not be worked with paddles. About this time, Governor Andros, of New York, interfered, and sent a vessel with a force to Pemaquid and vicinity and effected a cessation of hostilities.

LIEUT. JAMES RICHARDSON was first of Woburn, but in 1659 removed to Chelmsford, and there married, November 28, 1660, Bridget Henchman, daughter of Thomas, and by her had eight children or more. He was with Capt. Wheeler in the defence of Brookfield, and with Simon Davis, of Concord, and John Fiske, was appointed by the Captain, who was disabled by his wounds, to manage the defence. He was afterwards active in the war; removed to Charlestown, May 1, 1676, and served as Lieutenant with Capt. Samuel Hunting in his mixed English and Indian company in the summer and fall of that year at Pawtucket Falls (now Lowell), where they built a fortification and maintained a garrison, of which Lieut. Richardson was left in charge as well as of the Christian Indians at Chelmsford. He was well acquainted with Indian ways, and had great influence with them.

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John Cann	02 14 00	Rich. Hawkins	02 14 10
Benjamin Allin	02 00 10	John Veales	02 01 00
John Winslow	$02 \ 14 \ 10$	William Philips	02 14 00
Benjamin Dyer	02 14 00	James Franklin	02 14 00
John Coarser	02 14 00	Thomas Davis	02 14 00
John Hicks	01 00 06	Samuel Davis	03 03 00
John Plimpton	02 14 00	James Wamsly	02 14 00
John Ross	02 14 00		02 14 00

It will be noticed that the above credits are given a year before this final service, for which I have not as yet found any credit anywhere recorded.

CAPT. MICHAEL PEIRSE AND HIS COMPANY, OF PLYMOUTH COLONY.

Michael Peirse, or Peirce, was of Hingham from 1646 to 1663, but removed to Scituate soon after. His children, named in his will of 1675, just before going to the war, were Persis, Benjamin, John, Ephraim, Elizabeth, Deborah, Ann, Abia and Ruth. His first wife died in 1662, and he married a second wife, Ann, at Scituate. Hon. Henry B. Peirce, late Secretary of State of Massachusetts, is a lineal descendant of Capt. Michael Peirse. Michael Peirse was appointed ensign of a company raised in Plymouth Colony to go against the Dutch, in December, 1673, and captain of the company raised in the spring of 1675-6 as hereinafter told. It may be said here that as this was a Plymouth Colony Company, the lists of credits of the Treasurer, which are nearly complete for Massachusetts Colony, are not found as yet in Plymouth or Connecticut, so that we have to depend upon chance lists found here and there, and the lists of "Narraganset Grantees," published in full for the first time in this volume-We have learned above of the general situation of affairs in Massachusetts Colony, in March, 1676.

The intention of the Indians was evidently to distract the attention of the English by striking heavy blows in distant parts of the colonies. Connecticut was protected by the presence of the Mohegins and Pequods, whom the hostile Indians dreaded far more than the English, as they were their equals in wooderaft and Indian tactics. After the attack upon Medfield, the attacking party advanced into Plymouth Colony, and probably formed a junction with another body, doubtless with the purpose of concentrating a great force upon some of the larger towns, while smaller bodies kept making demonstrations here and there upon some smaller places. On February 25th, they assaulted Weymouth, and burned seven or eight houses and barns. On March 12th they pushed even into Plymouth town, and destroyed



Clark's Garrison House, about two miles from Plymouth village, with eleven persons within it, plundered the provisions, a quantity of ammunition, and quite a sum of money, without a single man lost or wounded. Another party suddenly assaulted Warwick on March 16th or 17th, and destroyed nearly all the houses, though the people escaped. Nearly all the detached houses in the Narraganset country were attacked and destroyed within a few weeks, and many of the large towns were threatened.

Plymouth Colony, on February 8, 1675-6, had ordered a company of men to be impressed from the southern towns of the colony, and on the 29th the Council ordered "that the Souldiers now under Presse, from the Southern Towns, be at Plymouth on Wednesday the 8th of this Instant (March) in order unto a further March, and with them 20 or 30 of the Southern Indians. whoe together with the other whoe are under Presse to goe forth under the Command of Captain Michael Peirse and Lieftenant Samuell Fuller." The force probably got ready sometime in the middle of March. "Capt. Amos," a Wampanoag Indian who refused to follow with Philip and joined the friendly Indians, was in command of the Cape Indians in Capt. Peirse's company, and also acted as guide to the whole force. The command marched to Seekonk, where they arrived March 25th, and that day had a skirmish with a party of Indians in the vicinity, whom they pursued until night and supposed they had seriously damaged. Retiring to the Garrison House at Seekonk that night, early on the next day, Sunday, March 26th, the forces, increased by several from Seekonk as guides, started again in pursuit of the enemy; and soon came across a few Indians who showed themselves in the distance and seemed to be trying to get away. but to be impeded by lameness. The English as usual were lured to rush forward, and in spite of former experiences and the warnings of the Indian allies, they soon found themselves in an ambuscade. Though not taken entirely by surprise by the old trick, which he believed his company was strong enough to fight through, Capt. Peirse was entirely deceived by the numbers of the Indians. He was a brave officer, and supposing he had a large body, perhaps twice his own number, at bay, he fearlessly attacked them even at great disadvantage. The Indians did not discover their full numbers until they had drawn the English across a small river, to some distance, when the attempt was evidently made to surround him. This forced him back upon the bank of the river, where he found himself attacked in the rear by a large party sent to cut him off. There is no doubt that Capt. Peirse was out-generalled, as well as vastly outnumbered, and, like the brave man that he was, he fought it out till he fell, with his brave men around him. Before leaving the garrison in the morning Capt. Peirse had sent a messenger to Capt. Edmunds of Providence, asking him to cooperate in an



attack upon a large body of Indians then at Pawtucket Falls; the messenger, however, did not deliver his message until after the morning service (it being Sunday), when Capt. Edmunds indignantly berated him, declaring that it was then too late, as it proved. It is doubtful if a company from Providence could have saved Capt. Peirse and his men after they crossed the river, as with their great numbers the Indians were able to beset every

approach to the battle-field, and choose their ground.

It is doubtful if during the war the English had come face to face in the open field with so large and so well-organized a force of the Indians. Canonchet doubtless directed the operations in this campaign in person, and was assisted by the ablest chiefs and the best warriors, picked from all the tribes. It was a signal victory for the Indians, and it confirmed Canonchet as the military leader before all others. Great stores of corn had been opened up and sent northward, with the plunder from the assaulted towns; heavy blows had been struck against the towns; the non-combatants, the infirm and helpless were safe in the vast forests stretching from beyond Quabaog to Canada, and were guarded by a strong reserve. He with his stout chiefs and their bands of loval warriors were therefore free to carry the war into all parts of the colonies; the great expedition under Major Savage against Menameset, etc., had been completely frustrated, and now this brilliant victory, as they counted it, had carried terror and dismay to the southern towns. Canonchet may well have dreamed of reconquering his native dominions, and doubtless believed that he could now reëstablish his people there. Fearless by nature, and feeling secure from invasion, he was waiting, at his headquarters not far from Pawtucket, with but few guards, having out large scouting parties scouring the country; and a very large part of his force had doubtless gone to the northward, with forage, plunder, and the dead and wounded from the battle with Capt. Peirse, of whom the number was probably more than one hundred. The loss on the part of the English was fiftytwo of the English and eleven of the friendly Indians. From the letter of Rev. Noah Newman, of Rehoboth, written the day after the battle, we get the names of those killed of Capt. Peirse's company.

From Scituate, 15 Slain.

Capt. Pierce, John Lothrope, Thomas Savery, Jeremiah Barstow, Joseph Perry,

Samuel Russell, Gershom Dodson, Joseph Wade, John Ensign, John Rowse, Benjamin Chittenden, Samuel Pratt, William Wilcome, Joseph Cowen,

Marshfield, 9 Slain.

Thomas Little, John Burrows, John Low, John Eams, Joseph Phillips, More——? Joseph White, Samuel Bump, John Brance.



Duxbury, 4 Slain.

John Sprague, Benjamin Soal,

Thomas Hunt.

Joshua Fobes.

Sandwich, 5 Slain.

Benjamin Nye, Daniel Bessey, Caleb Blake, John Gibbs, Stephen Wing.

Barnstable, 6 Slain.

Lieut. Fuller, Samuel Linnet, John Lewis, Samuel Childs, Eleazer Clapp, Samuel Bereman.

Yarmouth, 5 Slain.

John Mathews, John Gage, Henry Gage, William Gage,

Henry Gold.

Eastham, 3 Slain.

Joseph Nessefield, John Walker,

John M----.

[Rehoboth?], 2 Slain.

John Fitz, Jr.,

John Miller, Jr.

The paper is much worn and mutilated, so that the names of several are lost. It is said that Miller and Fitz were of Rehoboth, and probably others. Seven or eight names are needed, in addition, to make up the fifty-five.

In a chart of the descendants of John Read of Rehoboth, published by Orin Read of Providence in 1859, it is stated that John Read's second son, John Read, Jr., was one of the Rehoboth soldiers killed in this fight.



XXV.

BRIEF ACCOUNT OF THE DESTRUCTION OF LAN-CASTER, AND NAMES CREDITED WITH MILITARY SERVICE AT THE VARIOUS OTHER GARRISONS.

OF the many garrisons occupied by the English during the war, the importance varied according to the movements of Marlborough, for instance, was, during the the army. most of the war, a rendezvous and general headquarters, and thus it was necessary to devote an entire chapter to that, and the operations thereabout. Mendon, Brookfield, Hadley, Northampton and several others later, like Scarborough and Wells, became prominent by their position as frontiers, or as supply and recruiting stations. It will be understood that these items of credit occur in the Treasurer's book mixed with other credits under the various officers, etc., and not consecutively, as presented here. These garrisons are arranged alphabetically by names of places, for the convenience of the reader; and for the same reason, two lists already given in previous chapters are reprinted here. The Lancaster garrison is an exception to the above rule, as it seems to demand a fuller notice.

The Nashaway Indians were the native inhabitants of the country bordering upon the Nashua river. The name of the sachem of this tribe, at the first settlement by the English, was Nashacowam, alias Nashoonan, alias Sholan. The bounds of his dominion are not exactly defined. His death is recorded in 1654. The first settlement by the English was begun with the establishment of a trucking-house, in 1643, by Henry Symonds and Thomas King. In 1675 it was one of the most prosperous of the inland plantations. Up to the opening of Philip's war, there had never been any serious trouble with the Nashaway Indians. In common with other tribes they were stirred up by the agents of Philip, and during the fall and winter of 1675 and '76 were doubtless actively engaged with the hostiles. Shoshanim, whom the English called "Sam Sachem," was sagamore of the tribe at this time. The story of the attacks upon Lancaster has been told elsewhere, except the first, which occurred on Sunday, August 20, 1675. This was five days after Capt. Mosely had marched his company into the town. This attack was a sudden raid of a



large party of Indians, led by a Nipmuck chief named Monoco, or "One-eved John." The point of attack was the house of a Scotch settler, Mordecai Macloud, at the North end of the town, near what is now the North Cemetery. Seven persons were killed at this time, viz., Mordecai Macloud and his wife Lydia, a daughter Hannah, aged four years, and an infant child; also George Bennet, who left a widow and five small children; Jacob Farrar, Jr., who left a widow and four children; and two men. Joseph Wheeler and William Flagg, probably detailed as guards to the house. After this bloody affair, the people were gathered into garrison-houses, and strong guards placed about for a time. Several friendly Indians, in the employ of the Council at Boston. went among the hostile Indians about Brookfield and Wachuset as spies, and one of these, James Quanapohit, January 24, 1675-6, brought home to the Council a full and detailed report of the plan of the hostiles for the destruction of Lancaster, and even the day appointed. But the authorities paid little heed to his The Lancaster people, however, became alarmed, and appealed to the Council for assistance, which was being tardily attended to when the blow fell, just as predicted by James, and told by Job Kattenanit, another Christian Indian spy, who succeeded in escaping from the hostiles at Meminimisset, and, travelling upon snow-shoes eighty miles, came to Major Gookin's house, on January 9th, in a nearly famished condition, and reported that a party of four hundred Indians were already on the way to destroy Lancaster. Major Gookin immediately arose upon this alarm, and consulting with Mr. Danforth, a member of the council, messengers were at once despatched to Marlborough, Concord and Lancaster, to fortify the town with all speed. The messenger reached Marlborough at daybreak, and Capt. Wadsworth marched away with a company of forty men. Before they arrived at Lancaster, the enemy had burned the bridge, by the regular road; but the guides conducted them by another way so that they were able to escape the ambush laid for them by the enemy, and hastily repairing a partially burned bridge, they succeeded in driving off a party already attacking the garrisonhouse of Mr. Cyprian Stevens, and in saving that, and a part of the town from destruction, as heretofore mentioned. Another garrison-house, that of Rev. Joseph Rowlandson, the minister, was assaulted and burned, and of all the thirty-seven persons within it, only one escaped death or captivity; some authorities at the time gave the number as forty-two, but the most reliable says thirty-seven. Rev. Mr. Rowlandson was at Boston, trying to secure a force sufficient to protect the town from the threatened attack.

From Mr. H. S. Nourse's "Early Records of Lancaster" I take the following list, which is probably the most complete and correct now obtainable:



A List of those killed and made captive at the Rowlandson garrison-house in Lancaster, Feb'y 10, 1675-6.

KILLED IN THE ASSAULT.

Ensign John Divoll, Josiah Divoll, John's son, aged 7. Daniel Gains. Abraham Joslin, aged 26. John MacLoud. Thomas Rowlandson, aged 19.

John Kettle, aged 36. John Kettle jr. Joseph Kettle, son of John, aged 10.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kerley, wife of Lieut. Henry. William Kerley, son of Lieut. Henry, aged 17. Joseph Kerley, son of Lieut. Henry, aged 7. Mrs. Priscilla Roper, wife of Ephriam. Priscilla, child of Ephriam,

aged 3.

CARRIED AWAY CAPTIVE.

Mrs. Mary Rowlandson, wife of the minister, ransomed. Mary Rowlandson, daughter of the minister, aged 10, ransomed.

Sarah Rowlandson, "" "" " 6, wounded & died Feb. 18.

Joseph Rowlandson, son "" " 13, ransomed.

Mrs. Hannah Divoll, wife of Ensign John, ransomed.

John Divoll, son of Ensign John, aged 12, died in captivity?

William Divoll, son of " " 4, ransomed.

Hannah Divoll, daughter of " 9, died in captivity?

Mrs. Ann Joslin, wife of Abraham, killed in captivity.

Henry Kerley, son of Lieut. Henry, aged 18.

Hannah Kerley, dau. " " " 13.

Mary Kerley, "" " " " 10. Martha Kerley, "" " " " 4.

A Kerley child, " " name and age unknown.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kettle, wife of John, ransomed.

Sarah Kettle, daughter " aged 14, escaped.

Jonathan Kettle, son " " aged 5.

A Kettle child, a daughter " "

Ephraim Roper escaped during the assault.

OTHERS KILLED OR TAKEN OUTSIDE THE GARRISON, IN THE SOUTH PART OF THE TOWN.

John Ball, Elizabeth his wife, and their infant child.

Jonas Fairbank, and Joshua his son, aged 15.

Henry Farrar, Ephraim Sawyer, aged 26, and Richard Wheeler.

A man mentioned by Mrs. Rowlandson, but no name given.

TAKEN CAPTIVE.

Two of the family of John Ball, names unknown.

Mrs. Rowlandson says that "of thirty-seven persons who were



in this one house, none escaped either present death or a bitter captivity, save only one." This one was Ephraim Roper, abovementioned.

Mrs. Rowlandson must be considered the very highest authority, as she was a part of the story, which she afterwards published, and which affords almost the only reliable information we have of the condition, plans and movements of the hostile Indians, during that dreadful winter of 1675-6. Her story is simply, yet graphically, told, and we learn many things about the habits and customs of the Indians, their ways of subsisting, treatment of captives, manners, dress, diversions, etc., which is

nowhere else given.

Rev. Mr. Rowlandson sought the aid of the Council in his efforts to redeem the captives, many of whom were his own kindred. At first it was impossible to find any one of the friendly Indians willing to venture as messengers among the hostiles, mainly because they had been so cruelly and shamefully abused by the English and were now confined at Deer Island, where they could not be accused or placed under suspicion. At last, however, one Tom Dublet, or Nepanet, consented to go, and was fitted and instructed by Major Gookin, and upon April 3d started from Cambridge, and returned with the answer of the Sachems on April 12th. The correspondence between the Council and the Sachems is still preserved, in part, though the original letters are lost. The messenger brought back word from Sam Sachem, Kutquen and Quanohit, Samuel Uskatuhgun and Gunrashit. Sagamores, and owners of the captives, that all the captives taken at Lancaster were well except the youngest of Mr. Rowlandson, who was dead. At last, after many negotiations by the faithful Nepanet, Mr. John Hoar, of Concord, who, more than any man in the colony, had the confidence of the Indians, accompanied by Nepanet, and another friendly Indian, "Peter Conway," and bearing the ransom, twenty pounds in money and goods, raised by several gentlemen for the redemption of Mrs. Rowlandson, met the Sachems near Wachusett Hill, and on May 2d received and conducted that lady to Lancaster, and the next day to Boston. The other captives were redeemed at various times and places afterwards.

The place where Mr. Hoar met the Sachems is well identified, being marked by a large rock called "Redemption Rock," a noble landmark near the ancient Indian trail, between Lancaster and Mount Wachusett, and in the present town of Princeton, on the easterly side of a beautiful valley, across which, in the distance, towers Mount Wachusett. The locality is known as "Everettville," from the name of an ancient family who have lived here for generations. In 1880, Hon. Geo. F. Hoar, of Worcester, a lineal descendant of the chief actor in this transaction, for the English, purchased the land containing this site, and



set it apart for memorial purposes, and caused the following inscription to be placed upon the face of the rock:

UPON THIS ROCK MAY 2D 1676
WAS MADE THE AGREEMENT FOR THE RANSOM
OF MRS. MARY ROWLANDSON OF LANCASTER
BETWEEN THE INDIANS AND JOHN HOAR OF CONCORD.
KING PHILIP WAS WITH THE INDIANS BUT
REFUSED HIS CONSENT.

The writer visited this rock and copied this inscription, May 13, 1896, in company with Mr. Edward G. Davis of Leominster, who secured several fine photographs of the rock and surroundings. The inhabitants of Lancaster fled from their town after its destruction, and were scattered among their friends in various towns nearer to Boston, but within a few years many had returned and begun the resettlement.

CREDITED AT LANCASTER GARRISON.

October 19, 1675.			
Peter Jennings Joseph French Walter Davis John Nash George Wiatt Edward Young	00 18 00 Thomas Wenmon Richard Grotis Thomas Whitney Henry Elliott Joseph Birch	01 04 00 01 04 00 01 10 00 03 00 00 00 06 00	
	November 30, 1675.		
Michael Berstow Stephen Parker Palsgrave Wellington Henry Salter	01 16 00 01 14 02 01 16 00 01 16 00 01 16 00 01 16 00	01 16 00 01 16 00 01 04 00	
	December 20, 1675.		
Thomas Wenmon Walter Davis	01 16 00 Peter Jennings 01 16 00 Thomas Whitney	$\begin{array}{cccc} 03 & 07 & 08 \\ 00 & 12 & 00 \end{array}$	
	January 25, 1675-6.		
John Roberts Stephen Fish Nathaniel Hadlock John Fitch John Stanwood Zacharia Eyres Stephen Parker	03 01 08 Francis Nichols 03 00 00 Thomas Woods 03 01 08 Walter Davis 03 01 08 Henry Salter 03 01 08 Munning Sawen 03 01 08 Palsgrave Willington 03 01 08 Michael Bairstow	01 10 00 00 18 00 01 03 02 01 08 02 01 15 02 01 15 02 00 19 08	
	February 29, 1675-6.		
Francis Nichols Thomas Marble	00 18 00 Edward Young 01 18 06 John Nash	01 18 06 01 18 06	



John Lowell

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	April 24, 1676.	
William Pashle	04 16 00	
	June 24, 1676.	
Henry Sparkes	01 16 10	
AT	THE GARRISON AT BILLERICA.	
	November 30, 1675.	
John Boyd	03 00 00 Joseph Dowse	02 14 00
James Poply Thomas Welch	03 00 00 William Chapman 02 14 00 David Jones	03 06 00 03 00 00
THOMAS WEIGH	·	V 0 00 00
	December 20, 1675.	
John Gale	03 01 08 James Smith	00 07 08
John Essery Joseph Dowse	03 06 00 Daniel Baldwin	03 00 00 03 06 00
Joseph Low	03 01 08 Richard Satell	03 12 00
James Poply	00 07 08 John Fisk 03 01 08 Richard Satell 00 06 00 Stephen Coolidg	03 06 00
John Boyde	00 06 00 Nathaniel Livermore	02 14 00
James Barnard	03 01 08	
	January 25, 1675-6.	
Humphry Millard	03 18 00 Stephen Coolidg	02 01 00
Daniel Baldwin	01 19 04	
	April 24, 1676.	
Francis Wainwright	01 04 00	
	June 24, 1676.	
Howell Davis	02 11 04	
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701.1 1.0 (11)	July 24, 1676.	
Richard Sautill	00 19 08 John Fisk	01 06 06
Francis Nichols William Chapman	04 16 00 Edward Bishop 01 10 00 Ephraim Jones	00 16 00 05 14 00
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D 1 D 1	August 24, 1676.	
Francis Bond	06 11 00 George Wyatt	05 14 00
	September 23, 1676.	
Francis Wainwright	06 12 00	
	"AT BLACKPOYNT."	
	July 24, 1676.	
T.1 T 11	00 00 00 177 11 11 77	

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06 00 00



August 24, 1676.

Edward Milton

03 05 02

AT THE GARRISON AT BROOKFIELD, OR "QUABAUG."

February 29, 1675-6.

John Weld

00 08 06

June 24, 1676.

John Rayman	01 00 00 John No	rton 01 09 00
James Kelling	05 01 00 John Ma	nsell 01 18 00
Ezekiel Levitt	01 04 00	

July 24, 1676.

01 00 06 1	John Jofforn	04 19 04
01 01 04	Joseph Swady	04 12 06
00 06 04	Ebenezer Engellsbee	04 12 06
00 07 00	Henry Pellington	$05 \ 07 \ 00$
00 04 03	John Algar	03 02 06
01 08 00	Thomas Stacie	01 12 06
01 04 00	Silvester Haies	04 10 00
01 04 00	John Simple	$03 \ 02 \ 06$
05 00 00	John Glide	$05 \ 08 \ 00$
05 03 06	Benjamin Bucknall	$04 \ 15 \ 00$
00 17 00	Ephraime Savage Lt.	04 07 09
04 10 00	Christopher Cole	03 02 06
03 15 00	Charles Blinco	03 13 00
03 15 03	John Mansell	01 10 00
01 12 06	Nathaniel Partridge	05 08 00
04 12 06	John Sargent	03 02 06
	00 07 00 00 04 03 01 08 00 01 04 00 01 04 00 05 00 00 05 03 06 00 17 00 04 10 00 03 15 03 01 12 06	01 01 04 Joseph Swady 00 06 04 Ebenezer Engellsbee 00 07 00 Henry Pellington 00 04 03 John Algar 01 08 00 Thomas Stacie 01 04 00 Silvester Haies 01 04 00 John Simple 05 00 00 John Simple 05 03 06 Benjamin Bucknall 00 17 00 Ephraime Savage Lt. 04 10 00 Christopher Cole 03 15 00 Charles Blinco 03 15 03 John Mansell 01 12 06 Nathaniel Partridge

August 24, 1676.

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John Cromwell	02 09 09	David Jones	07 06 06	
Charles Duckworth	02 09 06	Philip Sandy	05 08 00	
Edward Blancher	05 10 00	Thomas Phillips	00 18 00	
David Crouch	$02 \ 06 \ 02$	John Cutler	05 09 08	

AT THE GARRISON AT CHELMSFORD.

November 20, 1675.

Moses Cleaveland	02 12 08	Samuel Parris	02 12 08
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November 30, 1675.

Zachariah Shedd	03 00 00 Joseph Simons	03 00 00
John Ellis	04 10 00 John Roby	01 04 00
Richard Nevers	03 00 00 John George	04 16 00
Joseph Samson	04 10 00 Hopewell Davis	04 16 00
Thomas Sawin	03 00 00 William Fisher	04 16 00
Thomas Train	03 00 00 Henry Harris	04 16 00



	December	20, 1675.			
Francis Nichols	02 11 04	Thomas Estman	01	0.1	00
Hezekiah Pilsbury	01 04 00	Richard Beach			3 06
Joseph Estman	01 04 00	William Foster			00
John Martin	01 04 00	Henry Harris			
Benjamin Allin	01 04 00				00
Amos Singlater	01 04 00	Joseph Lamson			00
Nathaniel Ladd		Hopewell Davis	00	10	00
Nathanier Ladd	01 04 00	1			
	January 2	25, 1675-6.			
John Bear	00 09 04	John Eliot	01	17	08
John Darling	00 09 04	Joseph Simons			02
George Wyatt	00 09 04	John Salendine			00
Samuel Parry	01 00 06				00
Robert Shelston	02 09 08	William Ballard			00
Walter Davis	00 09 04	Moses Cleaveland			00
Thomas Wenmore	00 09 04	Richard Nevers			
Benjamin Lernett	04 16 00				00
Moses Cleaveland	02 08 10	John George			06
Moses Cleaveland	02 00 10	Thomas Train	02	08	00
	February 9	9, 1675-6.			
John Welch			0.4		
South Welch	00 01 08	Ephraim Matson	01	04	00
	March 24	. 1675-6			
Thomas Henchman			0.0		0.0
Joseph Parker Sen	00 10 00	Joseph Parker Jun.	00	12	00
boseph I alkel Sen	00 12 00				
	June 24	, 1676.			
Daniel Woodward	03 08 06	Robert Parker	00	10	00
Josiah Clarson	03 16 02	Nathaniel Graves, Capt.			
Henry Harris	03 12 10		04		
Samuel Cleveland	03 07 08	George Stedman		12	
John Clark	03 12 00	John Polly		18	
Henry Sparkes	03 12 00				
John Mirecke	03 13 08	George Parson	01	16	UU
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	July 24	, 1676.			
John Solinden	06 12 00	John Priest	05	02	00
William Fisher	06 12 00	George Sowder		03	
Arthure Crouch	06 12 00	Samuel Damman		10	
John George	06 12 00	Suball Stearnes		05	
Thomas Traine	06 12 00	Samuel Heberd	04		
Samuel French	03 08 06	George Person	04		
John Elliot	03 18 00	Alexander Alhort	02		
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Nicholas Lunn	03 10 00		03		
John Miriek	06 00 00		03	18	00
John Barbene	06 13 08	John Polly	00	18	10
Joseph Simons	03 18 00	John Barbene	05	04	06



	September 23, 1676.	
John Priest William Peirce	02 08 00 John Bateman 07 12 06	07 11 00
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	"AT DEDHAM."	
	July 24, 1676.	
David Falkner Sen ^r .	04 09 06 David Falkner Jun ^r .	03 03 06
	September 23, 1675.	
Andrew Lewis	02 14 00	
AT T	HE GARRISON AT DUNSTABLE.	
	December 20, 1675.	
Richard Hawkins	03 06 00 James Matthews	04 13 04
John Cary	03 06 00 John Maloone	$04 \ 08 \ 04$
Thomas Webb	05 02 00 Richard Hawkins	02 00 00
	January 25, 1675-6.	
Anthony Baker	06 15 04	
	February 29, 1675-6.	
John Cary	03 03 04	
	June 24, 1676.	
Samuel Selsby	01 04 00 Jonathan Crisp	02 07 00
John Carv	05 12 02 James Mathews	03 18 00
John Maloone	08 15 08 Thomas Webb	0 5 1 0 00
	August 24, 1676.	
Robert Parris	04 10 10 Abraham Parker	04 10 10
	September 23, 1676.	
John Maloone	03 18 00 James Car	02 14 00
Robert Parris	04 12 06 John Barnard	02 14 00
Abraham Parker	04 12 06 Ephraim Sawyer	02 14 00
AT	THE GARRISON AT GROTON.	
4	November 9, 1675.	
Samuel Read	01 16 00 John Largin	02 04 06
John Bush	03 07 08 Timothy Forgley	02 02 00
Samuell Bull	02 04 06 Samuel Whitney	00 04 04
	November 30, 1675.	
Thomas Chamberlain	02 09 08 John Wood	01 13 04
Jeremiah Morse Thomas Bancroft	02 02 00 Josiah Wheeler	02 12 02
r nomas Daneron	00 10 00 Hugh Taylor	03 01 08



Jacob Dane David Church Shuball Sternes Thomas Wood William Gill John Hawes Onesiphorus Stanly	03 00 00 John Dammon 04 10 00 Daniel Starling 03 00 00 Jonathan Sprague 03 01 08 Thomas Dunnell 03 07 08 Jacob Winslow 01 10 00 Pelatiah Smith 03 05 02 Thomas Micheson	03 01 08 03 03 04 03 00 00 03 00 00 03 06 00 03 00 00 03 05 02
	December 20, 1675.	
John Codington Jonathan Parker Ephraim Bemish Timothy Frogly John Tedd Samuel Hagar Israel Hill	01 15 02 Daniel Canada 03 08 00 Nathaniel Domton 03 08 04 Sebread Taylor 01 16 00 Thomas Frost 03 06 00 Samuel Allin 03 06 00 William Doule 02 06 02 William Halford	04 10 00 03 00 00 03 00 00 03 12 00 03 09 04 03 00 00 03 18 00
	January 25, 1675-6.	
Benjamin Simons Lot Johnson Samuel Bull Samuel Cleaveland Daniel Canada Jacob Dane Jeremiah Moss	02 08 00 Simon Stone 03 00 00 Samuel Hager 02 02 00 Ephraim Bemis 02 08 00 Subaell Stearnes 00 18 00 Thomas Frost 00 18 00 Timothy Frogly 00 06 00 David Church	03 18 00 00 18 00 00 12 00 01 10 00 00 07 08 00 07 08 01 06 06
	February 29, 1675-6.	
"UNDER CAPT.		N.''
Nath Hill Jonathan Hill Joseph Foster John Waldo Francis Dudly Samuel Fletcher Sen'	01 12 10 Samuel Fletcher Jun* 01 12 10 Eleazer Brown 01 12 10 Cyprian Stevens 01 12 10 Benjamin Graves 01 12 10 John Bates 01 04 05 Stephen Goble	01 12 10 01 19 04 00 14 03 01 19 04 01 12 10 01 12 10
	April 24, 1676.	
Thomas Foster Eleazer Ball	03 00 00 Jonath Crisp 00 06 00 Daniel Adams	$\begin{array}{cccc} 02 & 10 & 06 \\ 00 & 06 & 10 \end{array}$
	June 24, 1676.	
Zachary Crisp Mathias Smith Nathaniel Green William Clough John Goff James Chever Edmund Gage William Bordman Benjamin Graves	02 15 08 01 06 06 01 12 06 01 06 06 01 11 00 01 11 00 01 06 06 01 06 06 01 02 03 00 10 00 John Hands Morris Truelove Joseph Pollard Moses Wheat Humphry Millard Thomas Region Timothy Cutler Richard Griffeth Richard Griffeth	01 06 06 01 06 06 01 11 00 02 08 00 00 06 10 02 14 00 02 08 08 01 16 10



		July 2	4, 1676.			
	Richard Pasmore	-	John Potter	01 04 00		
	John Bush		Symon Willard	00 19 03		
	AT	_	ON AT HADLEY.			
	7)		4, 1676.			
	Benjamin Chamberlain	06 12 00				
July 24, 1676.						
	John Chub	08 12 02	Joseph Smith	12 03 04		
	John Records	09 00 00	Philip Kertland	03 17 00		
	Joshuah Phillips	$13 \ 04 \ 00$	Thomas Chard	05 17 00		
	Isaiah Toy	05 11 00	John Upham	$12 \ 06 \ 00$		
	Tryall Newbury	14 08 00	John Chamberlain	13 06 00		
		August 2	24, 1676.			
	Jacob Hewens	07 05 04		07 09 02		
	Thomas North	10 16 00	John Hadlock	11 04 00		
	Benjamin Poole	09 18 00	Thomas Staines	04 01 04		
	Robert Coates	09 14 06	John Largin	04 00 00		
	Nicholas Dourell	08 02 00				
		September	23, 1676.			
	Thomas Bryant	13 10 00	Jeremiah Clothar	12 06 00		
	Richard Snowden	10 16 00	Benjamin Lathropp	03 18 00		
	John Strabridg	02 00 00	Hugh Pike	14 11 00		
	Joseph Griffin Robert Bardell	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	John Tucker	06 00 00		
	James Moult	11 07 00	John Fisher William Chub	08 06 00		
	Thomas Pore	13 16 00	Joseph Hovey	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		
	John Whitteridge	11 08 00	Moses Dudee	04 04 00		
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	Moses Morgan	05 13 00	Thomas Jones	14 12 00		
	John Prat James Verin	16 16 00	John Bill	11 15 00		
	James verm	08 08 00 1	Archebell Forest	05 18 00		
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		July 24 ,	1676.			
	William Batt	03 00 00				
		September	23, 1676			
	Robert Dawes		Jabez Musgrove	14 12 00		
	Edward Bishop	06 17 00	Richard Smith	14 15 00		
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	AI II	September				
	Darby Morris	01 13 04		04 19 04		
	John Dunster	02 00 00	Joseph Barber	04 13 04 02 14 00		
	William Turner	01 19 04	o to the restore	02 14 00		



	October 19, 1675.				
James Cheevers Thomas Turner William Blockwell	02 14 00 02 12 02 03 02 06 Henry Gibbs Richard Roberts	03 07 00 04 04 00			
November 30, 1675.					
Timothy Laskin William Ferman Samuel French Richard Young David Roff	04 13 04 Jacob Adams 02 08 00 Jonathan Jackson 03 00 00 Daniel Wright 03 12 00 John Figg 03 02 00 John Broughton	04 13 04 04 13 04 04 13 04 01 10 00 02 12 02			
	January 25, 1675-6.				
John Baker Richard Young Henry Gibbs John Nash Jonathan Jackson Obadiah Searle	03 08 06 03 06 00 02 19 00 01 18 00 01 05 08 01 05 08 06 08 00 Daniel Davison "Commiss." Jonathan Orris Richard Roberts William Turner	05 06 00 03 12 00 02 16 06 04 16 00			
Robert Rownden Thomas Owen	February 29, 1675-6. 07 04 00 William Farman 02 18 02 Gustin John	03 17 00 01 19 04			
Richard Young	March 24, 1675-6. 00 13 00				
Thomas Hopkins	<i>April</i> 24, 1676. 00 09 00 Benjamin Parmater	02 03 08			
Daniel Wright	June 24, 1676. 02 09 08 Thomas Dennis	01 05 06			
Timothy Laskin	July 24, 1676. 02 09 08 John Burges	03 00 10			
Morgan Jones	September 23, 1676. 08 02 00 Joseph Davis	06 00 00			
AT	THE GARRISON AT MEDFIELD.				
Thomas Davis Humphrey Richards	April 24, 1676. 02 02 00 John Howell 01 16 00	02 02 00			
	June 24, 1676.				
Clement Maxfield James Parker Thomas Davis Vincent Shuttleworth	00 18 00 Thomas Sherman 02 08 00 Elisha Hollaway 01 15 00 Charles Cohon 02 11 04 Thomas Jones	02 11 04 05 04 06 03 18 10 03 04 02			



	$July\ 24,\ 1676.$						
James Harrington	02 11 04 Edward Goose	02 16 06					
Charles Cahan	01 10 00 John Belcher	00 10 02					
James Parker	01 10 10 Darby Morris	03 03 00					
Moses Hubbard	00 18 00 Samuel Smith	03 06 00					
Moses Mubbara	oo to oo Samuel Smith	00 00 00					
	August 24, 1676.						
Samuel Procter	01 08 00 Anthony Hancock	06 13 08					
Alexander Mackenny	02 02 00 Samuel Smith	01 17 08					
Alexander Brackenty	02 02 00 Samuel Shitti	01 17 00					
September 23, 1676.							
Daniel Meginny	00 18 00 John Richardson	04 04 00					
Thomas Sherrard	00 12 00 Israel Hill	02 14 10					
Edward Goose	01 16 10 James Marshall	02 05 04					
Darby Morris	01 17 08 Vincent Shuttleworth	02 01 00					
James Harrington	02 12 02 Theelit Shuttle worth	02 01 00					
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AT THE GARRISON AT MENDAM (MENDON).							
	September 14, 1675.						
John Harrison, Sergt	02 06 06 David Landon	00 18 00					
Henry Tite	01 10 10 Thomas Hansett	01 03 00					
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October 19, 1675.							
Jonathan Dunning	01 00 06 Thomas Pinly	00 11 00					
John Tuckerman	02 12 03 Henry Pettington	00 11 00					
Samuel Moore	03 02 06 (Pellington)	01 12 06					
Joseph Griffin	02 04 06 John Starr	00 11 00					
John Gosse	00 11 00 Edward Barton	05 02 06					
John Gosse	00 11 00 Edward Barton	03 02 00					
	December 20, 1675.						
William Bosway	04 14 02 John Andrews	04 11 06					
Jonathan Dunning	04 04 00 John Sawen	00 10 00					
John Roulstone	04 04 00 Simon Stone	00 10 00 V					
William Jaques	04 16 00 John Stearnes	00 10 00 0					
Richard House	05 06 10 John Willington	00 10 00					
Richard Godfrey	02 02 10 Samuel Goff	00 10 00					
Jonathan Torry							
Thomas Beedle	1	00 10 00					
John Weld		00 10 00					
Thomas Hanchat	01 10 00 Stephen Cooke	00 10 00					
	01 13 04 Thomas Browne	00 10 00					
Israel Leavitt	02 08 00 James Waumesly	01 07 04					
Brian Morphy	02 08 00 John Long	00 10 00					
Joseph Griffin	04 07 00 Thomas Crassell	00 10 00					
Gilbert Foresight	04 01 00 John Ellis	0 5 06 03					
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Thomas Andrews	January 25, 1675-6.	00 00 10					
	04 04 00 John Low	02 02 10					
Henry Pellington	04 04 00 Theophilus Cushing	02 02 10					
Thomas Jones	00 13 04 William Cole	01 16 00					
Thomas Brideltine	00 18 00						



	February	29, 1675-6.	
William Cole	-	John Tuckerman	00 06 00
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	June 24	,	
John Rowlstone	01 10 00	Benjamin Dyer	- 00 12 00
AT T	HE GARRISON .	AT NORTHAMPTON.	
	September	23, 1676.	
Samuel Souch	14 11 00		08 13 00
Philip Matoon	08 02 00	Samuel Tiley	08 02 00
William Halford	10 16 00		08 19 06
	AT PUNCE	APAUGE.	
	March 24		
John Paison	00 13 00	,	
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	April 24	, 1676.	
James Pemerton	00 09 03	Benjamin Badcock	00 09 00
John Clark	00 09 03	Robert Parker	00 09 00
Samuel Trescott	00 09 00	George Witty	00 09 00
Joseph Adams	00 09 00	Samuel Maxfield	00 09 00
John Basse	00 09 00	Clement Maxfield	00 09 00
Joseph Long	00 09 00	Samuel Gulliver	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
John Spurr	00 09 00	Jeremiah Hall	00 03 00
Joseph Holmes	00 09 00	John Daniel	00 09 00
Thomas Swift	$00 \ 15 \ 00$ $00 \ 09 \ 00$	Henry Roberts	00 12 00
Robert Braine	00 13 00	Samuel Clap	00 09 00
Thomas Holman	00 09 03	George Lyon Samuel Picher	00 09 00
John Winchester	00 09 00	Thomas Lawrence	00 09 00
Stephen Gulliver Samuel Wadsworth	01 16 00		00 09 00
Samuel Wadsworth	01 10 00	oonathan I tener	00 00 00
	June 24	4, 1676.	
John Riply		Joseph Crosby	00 13 00
Martin Sanders		Samuel Hall	00 09 00
John Thare	00 09 00		00 09 00
Thomas Drake	00 13 00		00 13 00
Jacob Nash	00 13 00		00 06 04
Joseph Penniman	00 13 00		00 09 00
Isaac Grittin		Thomas Modsly	04 10 00
Moses Pain			04 10 00
Samuel Pain	00 09 00	Martin Sanders	04 10 00
	August	24, 1676.	
David Walsbery	00 09 00	John Minott	00 13 00
Isaac Umpphre als		Ephraim Newton	00 09 00
Humphrey		Israel Meade	00 09 00
Hopestill Clapp	00 09 00		00 13 00
John Wells	00 09 03	, Roger Bulling	00 13 00



Edward Brinkford als Linsford Thomas Berd	00 06 04 00 07 06	Hopestill Humphry Joshuah Hinsher Robert Willts	00 09 00 00 09 00 00 09 00
	September	23, 1676.	
James White Joseph Tucker		Charles Davenport Thomas Davinport	00 09 00 00 09 00
AT TH	HE GARRISON	AT SPRINGFIELD.	
	February 29	9, 1675-6.	
John Lowden	01 10 00		
	March 24	1675 G	
Jonathan Tainter	01 04 00	, 1075-0.	
COMMUNICATION OF THE PROPERTY	_		
	June~24	, 1676.	
Samuel Irons	09 01 16	John Cragge	08 13 00
John Pitcher	10 15 00	George Seddon	11 09 08
Joseph Holmes	10 07 04	Isaac Gleson	17 04 09
Josiah Rockwood Joseph Willington	$\begin{bmatrix} 10 & 16 & 00 \\ 13 & 17 & 00 \end{bmatrix}$	Joseph Pike John Smith	10 01 04 09 01 06
John Pinchon Majr	21 14 03	Gershom Swan	11 06 00
William Pilsbery	10 07 00	John Lowden	12 09 00
John White	11 18 00	oona nowaci	12 00 00
	July 24	. 1676.	
John Bradshaw	10 14 04	Matthew Abdee	12 02 00
Samuel Jewell	13 05 00	Blattnew Abdee	12 02 00
	August 2	4, 1676.	
Daniel Galusha	14 05 00	Roger Prosser	03 02 06
Jeremiah Norcross	12 03 00	Roger Prosser	03 02 00
	September	93 1676	
Noth and Linear	-		10 10 00
Nathaniel Lyon Thomas Elliott	13 16 00 16 16 00	Benjamin Knowlton Thomas Bond	16 12 00 13 10 00
Isaac Cakebread	16 16 00	John Mirick	14 12 00
Thomas Friend	08 08 00	JOHN SINCK	14 12 00
AT	THE GARRISO	ON AT WESTFIELD.	
	July 24	1676	
John Languartha			17 02 00
John Langworthy Samuel Alcock, Doct ^r .	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Joseph Dudly, Chap ¹ .	17 02 08
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Solomon Bates	12 06 00		12 13 09
Abraham Kingston Joseph Chamberlain	12 06 00 14 08 00	Nathaniel Osborn	16 05 08
ooseph Chamberrath	14 00 00		



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	September 23, 1676.	
George Manning	13 05 08 Robert Hastings	06 09 00
James Hadlock	02 07 00 Thomas Watts	07 10 00
William Rogers	13 02 00 William Peacock	14 14 00
Thomas Norton	13 18 00 Fearnot King	15 16 00
AT	THE GARRISON AT WOODCOCK'S.	
	August 23, 1675.	
Daniel East	00 11 02	
Daniel Last	00 11 02	
	September 3, 1675.	
Jonathan Freeman	00 10 04	
	September 14, 1675.	
Daniel Wight	00 10 04 Samuel Guild	00 10 04
William Arnold	00 12 08 John Fuller	00 10 04
Daniel Hawes	00 10 04	00 10 01
	$June\ 24,\ 1676.$	
Samuel Colbron	· ·	
Samuel Coloron	00 10 02	
	July 24, 1676.	
Nathaniel Weare	00 19 04 Henry Chamberlain	03 18 00
	August 24, 1676.	
Ellis Barron	00 16 02	
	September 23, 1676.	
Richard Benner	00 10 00	
AT T	THE GARRISON AT WADING RIVER.	
	September 14, 1675.	
Thomas Mudg	02 10 06 John Leroby	02 10 06
Simon Grover	02 10 06 Benjamin Bridgham	00 18 00
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	AT WAMESICK.	
	January 25, 1675.	
James Kidder	00 12 00	
	GARRISON AT WRENTHAM.	
	November 20, 1675.	
John Starr	04 16 00 John Hammon	05 06 03
John Mason	05 06 03 Thomas Wadduck	04 19 04
John Allin	05 06 03 John Ellis	05 06 03
Thomas Phinly	04 16 00 Edward Gross	. 01 11 08
John Goff	04 16 00	



	Jan	uáry	25,	1675-6.			
01	18	06	The	mas Hoppin	02	14	00
02	02	00	Isra	nel Hill	02	01	00

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February 29, 1675-6.

John Parker 02 08 00

Anthony Hancock

John Ellis

John Mason

April 24, 1676.

Isaac Heath 00 07 08 | John Ellice 02 19 00

June 24, 1676.

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ASSIGNMENT OF WAGES.

The following lists show the custom of the times. The towns assumed the payment of the wages of their own soldiers, to their families left at home, the families thus receiving sure and immediate aid, and the towns being credited to that amount upon their colonial "rates," or taxes. It was doubtless a means of great help to the families, and of saving to the towns, as it secured at once the support of the families without public charge, and at the same time the prompt payment of taxes.

The value of these lists to the historical and genealogical student will appear in the evidence they afford as to each man's residence at that time. The proof might not be positive in every case, yet in general it may be concluded that where a man assigns his wages to a town, it is because he considers that his

place of residence.

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Braintree-Towne Cr. By Sundry acepts Viz.		s. d. 17 06
Edward Bishop pd him as per Joseph Adams		00 09 00
Assignment 06 09 02 John Bass		00 09 00
Richard Evens " 01 14 02 Jonathan Pitcher	•	00 09 00
George Witty 00 09 00 John Belcher		00 10 02



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Samuel Irons	. 01 09 01	James Atkins	01 03 06
Robert Parker	03 09 10	Caleb Raye	00 16 04
James Franklin	03 18 06	Samuel Spencer	01 01 04
John Lamb	10 18 10	Martin Sanders	00 06 10
Abraham Kingston	09 03 09		
Abraham Kingston	00 00	£	s. d.
Dorchester-Towne	Cr. By Sun		00 05
James Haughton pd as p		John Pason	$05 \ 03 \ 00$
Assignment	00 19 08	Samuel Triscot	00 09 00
Samuel Maxfield	00 09 00	Timothy Tilston	$02 \ 05 \ 00$
Clement Maxfield	01 07 00	Jonathan Atherton	$02 \ 15 \ 00$
Benjamin Allin	01 16 10	Samuel Blake	$02 \ 05 \ 00$
Jeremiah Hall	00 09 00	Thomas North	$09 \ 00 \ 04$
Henry Leadbetter	02 11 00	John Smith	00 12 09
Samuel Rigby	03 06 08	John Minot	00 13 00
John Spurr	01 18 00		
		£	s. d.
Dedham-Towne Co	. By Sundry	v acep ^{ts} Viz. 70	07 02
Timothy Dwite pd him		Jeremiah Fisher	00 12 00
per Assignment	17 00 00	Benjamin Wight	00 12 00
Samuel Guile	06 08 04	Ephraim Wilson	00 12 00
Daniel Wight	02 09 08	John Thurston	00 12 00
David Falkner	03 17 06	Nathaniel Farington	00 12 00
David Falkner Jr.	02 15 06	Edward Sewell	00 12 00
John Day	01 13 06	John Groce	00 12 00
John Day	02 14 09	John Coockow	00 04 02
John Bacon	00 12 00	James Hening	00 05 00
Ephraim Pond	02 08 00	Peter Woodward	00 17 02
Daniel Hawes	01 06 06	Richard Bennett	03 11 00
Jonathan Gay	02 08 00	John Ware	01 14 03
Samuel Colborn	02 04 09	John Aldis	02 08 00
Thomas Bishop	07 06 09	Benjamin Mills	01 03 06
Nathaniel Weare	00 19 04	David Freeman	01 03 06
John Batle	00 13 04	David Freeman	01 00 00
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Hingham-Towne	Cr. By Sund	dry acep ^{ts} Viz. 56	18 02
Paul Gilford pd. him		John Dunbarr	02 03 11
per Assignment	01 03 10		02 19 00
John Chamberlaine	10 09 11	Richard Francis	01 00 00
Samuel Gill	02 09 06	Benjamin Bates	05 15 02
John Cutler	15 00 00		07 17 00
Thomas Thaxter	02 16 00		02 12 06
Samuel Nicholson	02 11 04		
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Hull-Towne Cr. by Sundry accpts Viz.						13	09	
James Chever pd. him a				John Angell		-	3 12	00
per Assignment			09	John Jacob pr.	Nath		2 00	00
Henry Chamberlaine			00	Bosworth		U.	2 00	00



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Milton-Towne Cr.	Acepts Viz. 47	11 09							
George Lyon pd. him b	у	John Daniel	00 09 00						
Assignment	00 09 00	John Pitcher	00 12 10						
John Redman	00 18 00	John Fenno	00 15 04						
Samuel Wadsworth		Richard Silvester	00 18 00						
per Abigail	16 15 06	John Pitcher	03 17 07						
Henry Roberts	00 09 00	Thomas Voss	07 10 00						
John Jourdan	00 07 00	Samuel Pitcher	00 09 00						
Walter Mory	00 07 00	Thomas Holman	02 18 10						
Richard Silvester	04 12 08	Ephraim Newton	00 09 00						
Benjamin Badcock	03 09 06	Thomas Swift	01 02 06						
Samuel Gullifer	00 13 00	Benjamin Badeock	00 09 00						
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August 24, 1676.									
Medfield-Towne C			04 06						
John Plimpton pd. as p	er	Josiah Rockwood	03 14 08						
Assignment	02 14 00	Vincent Shuttleworth	02 11 04						
John Hammon	02 08 00	Edward Grose	02 16 06						
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Roxbury-Towne C	r. by Sundry	y Acepts Viz. 51	17 01						
William Davenport pd.	-	John Scott							
per Assignment	02 10 00	John Weld	00 10 09						
Samuel Williams	05 01 00	Henry Bowen	10 16 08						
Joseph Smith	09 13 02	Samuel Williams	00 15 00						
Isaac Johnson per his	00 10 02	John Weld	01 17 06						
widow	01 05 00	John Watson	03 06 06						
John Curtis	02 08 01	Richard Hall	00 18 00						
Onesiphorus Stanly	01 11 03	John Newell	05 10 06 00 17 08						
Jonathan Fairbanks	03 01 00	John Pason	00 17 08						
John Clark	00 09 03	John Weld	01 11 00						
Hugh Clark	01 05 00	Joshuah Lamb							
Joseph Lyon	01 06 05	Andrew Levins	02 02 10						
John Whitney	00 18 00	Robert Seaver	01 10 00						
John Whitney	00 10 00	Robert Seaver	01 02 06						
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Weighmouth-Town	v	•	01 10						
Benjamin Poole pd. as		Joshua Philips	09 19 05						
Assignment	09 18 00	John Record	04 00 00						
Thomas Bayley	01 16 10	John Pinchon Esq ^r	10 00 00						
John Pinchon Esq ^r pr.		Richard Adams	03 17 06						
Samuel White	12 10 01	THE THE PARTY OF T	30 11 00						

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Bradford-Towne Cr. by Sundry	y Acep ^{ts} viz.	04	01 03	
	William Smith		03 02	0.0
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	Beverly-Towne Cr.	Ву	Su	ndry	Acepts viz. 31	01	06		
	John Dodge pd. as per Assignment William Dodge Joseph Eaton Jonathan Mosse	$\begin{array}{c} 01 \\ 05 \end{array}$	$\frac{00}{18}$	00 00 06 10	Samuel Hebert	$04 \\ 03 \\ 04$	11 00 14 02 08 00 00 06 13 06		
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	Glocester-Town Cr	. В	y St	indr	y Aeep ^{ts} viz. 17	05	10		
	Benjamin Jones pd. as				Philip Stanwood	03	08 06		
	Assignment		04	00	Samuel Stanwood		11 06		
		02	15	10	John Day	03	15 00		
	John Stanwood	01	02	00	John Hascall	02	09 00		
					24, 1676.				
	Hampton-Towne C	r. I	3y S	Sund	ry Acep ^{ts} viz. 50	14 0	3		
	Edward Colcord pd. as	per			William Sanborn	01	04 00		
	Assignment	02	00	00	Thomas Roby		04 00		
	Joseph Cask		08		John Browne		04 00		
	Benjamin Molton		01		Palmer		08 06		
	Ephraim Matson		03		Joseph Smith		17 06		
	John Lovitt		14		James Hobbs		05 00		
	Israel Blake		00		John Palmer		19 04		
	Abraham Drake		13		Ebenezer Perkins		15 00		
	Morris Hobbs		$\frac{04}{19}$		John Browne		12 05 01 00		
	Francis Jennings		18		Benjamin Sweett Samuel Colcord		01 04		
	John Sleeper Isrel Clifford		00		Michael Towsly		15 00		
	Micael Towsly		17		Thomas Browne		08 04		
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	Ipswich-Towne Cr.	Ву	Su	ndry	acep ^{ts} viz. 67	15	09		
	John Chub pd. as per				Joseph Proctor	00	17 00		
	Assignment	06	04	06	John Browne		08 00		
	Alexander Alhor	02	10	06	John Potter	01	04 00		
	Samuel Bishop		10		Richard Pasmore		12 05		
	Joseph Fellows			00	Jonathan Wade		00 10		
	Isaac Fellows		05		Thomas Smith		13 04		
	Simon Grow	-	07		Thomas Dennis		05 06		
	Joseph Marshall		00	-	John Line		02 06		

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Amos Gourdine

Edward Neland

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Simon Adams

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	Linn-Towne Cr. B	y Sune	lry A	eep ^{ts} viz.	59	19	11	
	Samuel Ireson pd. as p	er		Isaac Lewis		03	02	00
	Assignment	03 03		Thomas Barker			16	
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V	Philip Cartland	04 17		William Dellow			03	
	John Man	02 08		Joseph Burrell			04	
	John Burrell	03 00		Samuel Fisk			16	
	John Moore	01 10		Elisha Fuller			02	
	Thadeus Berry	03 03		Thomas Leonard	l		15	
	Thomas Browne	03 13		Moses Chadwell			01	
	Isaac Wellman	02 0		Daniel Johnson			04	
	Samuel Graves	01 13					03	
	Eliazer Linsey	01 1	5 00	James Robinson		00	11	03
		Au	gust	24, 1676.				
	Marblehead-Towns	Cr. B	y Sur	ndry Acepts viz.	25	10	10	
	Gregory Sowder pd as	per		George Cross		01	16	08
	Assignment	04 0	3 00			02	10	00
	Ephraim Jones	05 14			er.	01	04	00
	Rowland Ravensbee	01 0	7 04	John Parmer		01	00	06
	Enoch Lawrence	03 00	00	Mark Pitman		01	16	10
	Thomas Russell	01 1	1 00	Thomas Stanfor	d	01	04	06
			D_i	itto.				
	Newbury-Towne Cr. By Sundry Accpts viz. 21						02	
	Jonathan Emery pd as			John Wilcott		04	10	00
	Assignment	05 0	9 00	Richard Browne			03	
	Edmond Browne	03 0		Edward Ordway			09	
	Henry Sparkes	03 1						
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	Rowly-Towne Cr.	By Su	ndry	_	27		10	
	John Wood pd. as per			Samuel Cooper			16	
	Assignment	03 1		Thomas Lever			03	
	Samuel Smith	03 0		Robert Eames			17	
	Samuel Wicomb	04 1	7 09	Joshuah Boynto	n	05	09	00
		Au	gust	24, 1676.				
	Salem-Towne Cr.	By Su	ndry	accepts viz.	151	19	04	
Thomas Fuller pd. as per William Woodbury								

Assignment 01 10 00 John Higinson 05 10 00 03 13 06 John Dodge John Bullock 14 03 00 Edward Bishop 00 16 00 Symon Broadstreet Esq 04 10 00 William Wainwright 02 09 10 Nathaniel Pease 04 06 00 William Pilsbury 03 17 06 William Hathorn 07 05 09 Jeremiah Neale Henry Kenny 03 03 06 03 00 00 Joseph Deares John Richards pr. Bar-01 15 00 Abraham Snitchell 00 11 06 28 17 00 tholmew Gidney



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George Wyat	05 14 00	Peter Jennings	$04 \ 02 \ 00$
Thomas Robinson pr		Samuel Pickworth	00 11 06
Jonathan Curwin	$05 \ 06 \ 00$	Richard Norman	01 10 00
Edward Counter	$02 \ 01 \ 00$	Joseph King	01 16 00
John Smith	01 10 10	Robert Pease	03 16 06
Jacob Pudenter	$01 \ 04 \ 00$	Francis Nichols	04 16 00
Thomas Howard	03 02 00	Francis Bond	06 11 00
Joseph Jeffords	01 09 00	William Stacie	00 12 00
Nicholas Deurell	07 18 00	Abel Oazier	01 16 00
Francis Jefford	05 16 09	Thomas Bell	01 16 04
Henry Cooke	02 03 00	Thomas Veasie	02 18 10

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Haverell-Towne	Cr. By Sundry	Acepts viz. 24	16	08	
Samuel Huchins pd. a	s per	Thomas Hartshorn	00	12	00
Assignment	00 15 06	Richard Allin	01	17	06
Nathaniel Haseltine	01 00 06	Robert Swan	. 00	11	10
Samuel Aires	00 08 06	Henry Kemball	01	. 06	10
John Keisar	00 08 06	Benjamin Grealy	01	00	06
John Clements	00 08 06	Jonathan Henrick	. 00	15	04
Amos Singletons	00 05 00	John Corly	0.0	15	04
Nathaniel Lad	00 05 00	John Roby	00	08	06
Daniel Lad	00 05 00	Samuel Ladd	03	17	00
George Brown	00 13 00	Thomas Kinsbury	01	12	04
John Johnson	00 02 06	Robert Swan	01	04	00
Philip Esman	00 15 04	John Haseltine	01	04	00
Benjamin Singleterry	00 15 04	Samuel Watts		13	
Thomas Durston	00 17 10	Joseph Bond	00	13	06
Thomas Eastman	01 04 00				- 0

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Andover-Towns	Cr. B	y Sı	indr	y Acep ^{ts} viz.	25	19	00	
John Lovejoy pd. as	s per			Roger Mark		02	09	00
Assignment	01	10	00	John Matson			14	
Stephen Johnson	01	02	06	Joseph Parker		01	10	00
Samuel Phelpes	02	14	00	Nathaniel Steph	ens	02	09	06
John Preson	02	10	00	Ebenezer Barke		02	02	00
Zechariah Ayres	. 01	10	00	James Fry		02	14	00
Joseph Abbott	02	14	00			-		



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Billerrica-Towne C	r. By Sundi	ry acepte viz. 05 (06 04		
Nathaniel Hill pd. as pe	er	John Saunders	02 14 00		
Assignment	00 12 10		01 19 00		
			02 20 00		
	D	itto.	•		
Cambridge-Towne	Cr. By Sun	dry acepts viz. 113 (04 01		
Thomas Frost pd. as pe	er	David Mead	00 09 04		
Assignment	01 00 06	John Dowgin	00 09 04		
Jonathan Lawrence	$01 \ 14 \ 06$	Justinian Holding	00 07 06		
Crackbone	00 06 00	Isaac Beech	00 09 04		
Samuel Prentice	$00 \ 09 \ 04$	William Rider	00 10 02		
John Gibson	01 12 10	John Streeter	03 17 05		
Philip Russell	02 06 00	Samuel Goff	01 00 00		
William Bordman	01 02 03	Edward Goff	01 13 04		
John Dickson	01 01 04	Daniel Woodward	02 05 00		
Nathaniel Green	01 12 06	John Stedman	01 17 00		
Mathew Abdee	05 16 01	Joseph Cooke	$04 \cdot 02 \ 00$		
Thomas Eams	01 08 04	Peter Towne	00 07 06		
Thomas Frost	00 09 06	John Cragg	04 17 00		
John Jones	00 09 04	Ephraim Philips	01 15 06		
Christopher Muskins	02 06 09	Robert Robins	00 09 04		
Justinian Houldin John Salter	$00 \ 15 \ 08$ $02 \ 10 \ 04$	Samuel Gibson Joseph Pratt	00 03 04		
John Bradshaw	06 11 04	Nathaniel Green	00 15 04 01 08 06		
Joseph Holmes	04 06 04	Isaac Gleson	06 18 10		
Zechariah Paddlefoot	01 02 06	Jacob Hill	05 12 00		
Daniel Woodward	03 08 06	Justinian Houlding	01 15 06		
John Watson	00 14 00	Edward Mitchensonn	03 15 00		
James Chevers	01 16 08	Samuel Green	01 17 06		
William Hely	02 07 05	Abraham How	02 10 00		
Ambros Mackfassett	02 13 02	Samuel Green	03 15 00		
Samuel Cooper	02 17 00	Daniel Gookin Esqr	03 07 06		
Jonathan Remington	05 17 08	1			
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Chelmsford-Towne	Cr. By Su	adry acep ^{ts} viz. 05 (05 06		
Joseph Hide pd. as per		Jacob Willer per Jerath	-		
Assignment	01 00 06	mell Bowers	02 15 00		
		John Barrett	01 10 00		
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Concord-Towne Ca		y accep ^{ts} viz. 45 (06 04		
John Wheeler pd. as pe		Nathaniel Billing	04 10 00		
Assignment	01 07 06	William Kean	04 14 06		
Joseph Wheeler	02 09 00	John Hadlock	06 12 03		
Abraham Temple	02 02 00	Joseph Chamberlain	08 06 11		
	04 00 00	Stephen Goble	01 12 10		
Daniel Gobely	01 10 00	Benjamin Chamberlain	06 00 00		
Benjamin Graves James Sawyer	00 10 00	John Lakin	00 15 00		
bames banyer	00 04 04	Richard Blood	00 12 00		



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Charles-Towne Cr.	Ву	Su	ndry	acep ^{ts} viz. 308	15	()6	
Cornelius Church pd. as				Zechariah Jones		00	05	04
per Assignment		15	09	Thomas Wheeler			03	
Benjamin Switzer	00	04	02	James Richardson		10	10	00
John Upham	10	03	05	John Spaulden			00	
Charles Duckworth	02	09	06	Zechariah Fowle			10	
John Prescott Sen ^r .	05	00	00	Josiah Hobbs			01	
John Mirecke	03	09	08	John Sellenden			12	
Giles Fifield		16		John Eliot			18	
Daniel Baldwin	00	03	04	Thomas Croswell			12	
John Newman		07		John Eliot			13	
Zechariah Brigden	00	15	06	William Chapman			10	
John Walker		06		Isaac Fowl			08	
Hugh Taylor		05		Jonathan Johnson			05	
Joseph Lowe		06		Richard Scott			00	
Samuel Lord		14		John Shepheard			12	
Nathan Dunklin		09		Howell Davis			06	
John Rosse		14		Daniel Smith			00	
James Miller		12		John Tarball			04	
John Mirick		00		William Ward, Deaco			10	
David Crouch		05		Edward Smith			14	
Solomon Phips		09		Samuel Hunting			01	
Jonathan Cary		01		Benjamin Lathrop			08	
Hopewell Davis		09	1	William Stephens			15	
Edward Smith		14		Samuel Jewell			16	
Richard Scott		02		Joseph Harris			10	
Obadiah Wood		15		Henry Salter			04	
William Vines per Jacol		10	00	James Miller			10	
Greene		09	02	Henry Harris			00	
Thomas White		14		John Long			02	
David Crouch		10		Matthew Griffin			04	
Samuel Blaincher		08		Samuel Scripture			15	
Joseph Douss		09		Lawrence Hammond			00	
Samuel Cutler		16		William Rawson			02	
James Kelling		09		Samuel Jewell			00	
Josiah Wood		03		Hugh Taylor			13	
John Cromwell		18		John Cromwell			09	
Thomas Rand		04	1	John Essery			06	
Thomas Henchman		15		Nathaniel Graves			01	
Henry Harris		01		Joseph Pike			11	
Nathaniel Douse		07		John Edes			06	
Richard Scott		10		Joseph Royal			10	
Francis Earle		10		Arthur Clouch			12	
Samuel Dalton		00		Edward Wilson			09	
John Mousall		02		Ephraim Roper			07	
David Jones		15		Silvester Haies			10	
James Lowden		10	1	Zechariah Johnson			14	
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John Barrett		07		Samuel Hunting			00	
Thomas Davis		05		John Simple			18	
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Henry Berisford Samuel Champine John George William Fisher Joshuah Edmunds John Goodwin James Smith Josiah Smith John Eliot Jacob Amsden William Clough John Smith	01 15 07 00 11 06 06 12 00 06 12 00 00 06 10 02 13 00 05 17 08 00 08 10 03 18 00 03 00 00 00 14 00 00 03 04	John Douss Joseph Lambson Thomas Staey Joseph Lambson William Whiting Joseph Lampson Zecheriah Brigdon James Richardson Henry Harris Daniel Edmonds Joseph Pike	00 10 00 01 05 08 03 15 04 00 16 03 01 03 04 00 12 00 02 03 00 06 02 06 03 12 10 02 06 08 02 07 05	
	August	24, 1676.		
Medford-Towne Cr			02 05	
Evan Jones pd. as per	. By Dullar	James Parker	02 17 09	
Assignment	01 04 08	James Laikei	02 17 09	
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	August 2	24, 1676.		
Maulden-Towne C	r. By Sundr	y acepts viz. 49	11 03	
John Winslow pd. as p		William Greene	00 17 00	
Assignment	02 09 10	Phineas Sprague	00 17 00	
John Pemberton per		Ellis Barron	00 16 02	
Deborah	02 12 00	Jonathan Sprague	04 02 04	
John Ross	02 09 00	Ellis Barron	02 02 04	
Samuel Hayward	$01 \ 19 \ 04$	William Green	00 08 06	
John Martine	$00 \ 09 \ 04$	Phineas Sprague	00 07 00	
Robert Carter	$00 \ 09 \ 04$	John Green	00 07 00	
James Nichols	00 08 06	John Dexter	00 07 00	
James Winslade	00 09 04	Samuel Green	00 07 00	
William Laraby	00 09 04	Joseph Wilson	00 07 00	
John Wait	03 05 00	John Lind	00 07 00	
Jonathan Sprague	00 18 10	Thomas Newell	00 07 00	
Triall Nubury Bernard Pearch	09 05 05	John Sprague	00 07 00	
John Floyde	$01 \ 04 \ 00$ $10 \ 15 \ 08$	Thomas Mudge	00 07 00	
oona Pioyue	10 10 08	I		
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Redding-Towne (r. By Sundry	acepts viz. 12	17 10
Daniel Galusha pd. as	per	Thomas Hodgman	01 08 00
Assignment	04 17 06	Samuel Damman	04 02 00
Jonathan Parker	$02 \ 10 \ 04$		

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Water-Towne Cr.	By Sundry a	neep ^{ts} viz. 146	10 00
Abraham Williams pd.	as	George Woodward	00 07 08
per Assignment	$03 \ 05 \ 06$	Thomas Whitney	00 02 06
Richard Sawtell	00 19 08	William Goddard	00 09 04
Enos Lawrence	00 08 09	Joseph Willington	04 18 03
Jonathan Stimpson	00 02 06	Samuel Whitney	00 19 08



			00 10 00
Zecheriah Cutting	02 09 10	Michel Bastow	02 16 06
John Sawin	03 03 06	Thomas Whitney	$00 \ 04 \ 02$
Joseph Peirce	01 06 00	John Willington	02 08 06
Theophilus Philips	02 18 06	John Oynes	00 15 08
John Prescott	10 00 00	Henry Spring	02 19 10
Moses Whitney	02 16 00	Jonathan Whitney	$03 \ 08 \ 02$
Isaac Leonard	01 15 02	William Shattucke	04 10 00
Joseph Bernish	02 10 00	Samuel Thacher	01 04 03
John Sterns	01 07 00	Jeremiah Norcrass	$09 \ 05 \ 08$
Jonathan Smith	01 10 00	Daniel Smith	$01 \ 05 \ 06$
William Bond	01 00 00	William Price	02 13 00
Josiah Jones	01 02 00	John Stone	01 10 10
Joseph Wait	00 15 04	Thomas Chadwick	01 10 10
Samuel Sterns	02 03 06	Samuel Perry	03 18 00
John Parke	02 14 00	William Bull .	00 04 02
John Fisk	04 13 06	William Price Jung	01 07 03
John Eames	04 05 00	Samuel Perry	01 05 06
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John Bigello	02 12 06	Eliazer Beeres	00 12 00
Daniel Peirce	03 03 06	John Coolidge	02 10 00
Richard Child	02 07 00	Seubael Sternes	03 01 00
Joseph Garfell	0		00 19 08
John Cutting	00 18 06	John Hastings	01 02 02
Daniel Warrin	00 09 08	Stephen Coolidge	02 00 00
Ephraim Bemish	03 05 00	John Oyne	
Joseph Smith	01 00 00	Thomas Swann	01 08 10
John Stone	$03 \ 03 \ 06$	John Bright	04 10 00
Thomas Train	06 12 00	Daniel Gookin Esq.	$02 \ 11 \ 02\frac{1}{4}$
Samuel Church	01 18 05	Samuel Wood	$00 \ 13 \ 01\frac{1}{2}$

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Wooborn-Towne	Cr. By Sundi	ry accp ^{ts} viz. 107	12 08		
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XXVI.

PHILIP, CANONCHET AND THEIR INDIANS.

A BRIEF statement, from the side of the Indians, of their movements and plans so far as can be judged by the evidence we have, may help us to a better knowledge of the war, than any of the histories afford. All know that Metacom, or Pometacom, second son of the great chief Massasoit, whom the English named Philip, and who is known in history as King Philip, was the recognized instigator and leader in the great Indian war which has always been designated by his name.

Massasoit's eldest son Wamsutta, called by the English Alexander, succeeded to the dignity and possessions of his father in 1661, but lived only about a year in the enjoyment of his inheritance. His wife was Weetamoo (her name best known), who seems to have been not only an hereditary princess, but a very able and energetic woman. She was called the "Squaw Sachem of Pocasset," and derived that title either from her father or an earlier husband. She claimed to own all the country around Pocasset in her own right, and also the disposal and rule of her tribe. Weetamoo was a personage of importance and influence in the war, as, after the death of Wamsutta, she returned to her people, and retained her title and power amongst them; and it would appear that just before the breaking out of the war, she had some three hundred fighting men under her authority. There is good evidence that Queen Weetamoo and Petonowowett, whom the queen married after the death of Wamsutta, were both opposed to the war, but could not control the young warriors who were attracted to Philip's war-dances, and were there inflamed with the war-passion of the chief. Weetamoo was the sister of Wootonekanuske, it is said, and as she was doubly sister-in-law of Philip, it is not strange that she followed the inclination of her warriors, and yielded to the craft and power of Philip, thus greatly strengthening his hands. Petonowowett would not join Philip, but withdrew to the English side and followed their fortunes throughout the struggle. Weetamoo further assisted the cause of Philip by renouncing her recreant husband, and marrying Quinnapin, a Narraganset chief, a near relative of Canonchet, and second in command at the great "fort-fight."



He was prominent in the attack upon Lancaster, becoming the master of Mrs. Rowlandson by purchasing her from her captor.

There are many proofs of the ability of Philip as a diplomat, in planning and preparing for the war. He succeeded his brother as the chief Sachem of the Wampanoags, about 1662. Judged by all that can be gleaned from history, Philip seems to us, not the terrible monster which our first historians painted him, but a leader of consummate skill, in bringing together the unwieldy and most unwilling forces, and pushing forward other bands of other tribes to bear the brunt and dangers which his own plotting had brought upon them. He was doubtless hurried into open hostilities by the ill-advised action of his young warriors, long before even his own tribe were prepared for the consequences of such rash action. Thousands of acres of corn were hastily abandoned by his people in their precipitate flight. The Wampanoags, with all related and dependent bands, were overwhelmed by the unexpected forces sent against them, and were only saved from utter destruction, partly by the slow motion of the English troops under Capt. Henchman, but mainly by the adroit and secret management of Philip in "wafting" his whole active force over the water, leaving only one hundred of their women and children, and escaping into the Nipmuck country. All the fearful consequences which hung upon the issue of that escape, are known to us now, and it is clear that if the colonies had at all appreciated the gravity of the situation, the whole war might have been prevented, by holding Philip, by the retention of a few hundred men for a few days more at Rehoboth, or near by, with their Mohegan scouts. As it was, Philip succeeded in eluding his pursuers, disposing his non-fighting people in various tribes, and, while holding a sufficient body-guard with himself, to inspire respect and insure a hearing, he had some of his ablest men visiting the more distant tribes, and everywhere persuading, bribing and threatening the chiefs into cooperation; so that before the end of September, he had practically all the Nipmucks, with the tribes of Massachusetts from the Merrimac to the Connecticut, pledged and already active in his service. But the impression from all known testimony is, that loyalty to Philip was inspired by fear, rather than love or admiration. There is no proof known to me of any act of personal daring on his part, and I have not found any real evidence that he was personally engaged in any of the battles of the whole war, or that he led, in person, any attack, or raid, or ambuscade. The rumors of that day, and the statements of later historians, that he was present at certain fights, are not verified by evidence; and while there is little doubt that he directed and planned many of the most bloody and destructive attacks upon the settlements, he seems always to have kept at a safe distance from personal danger.

The successes of the Indians at Brookfield, Northfield and



Deerfield, were won by the Nipmuck chiefs, who were by no means ready to accept Philip as a general, while they received

him as an ally.

In December, 1675, Philip retired beyond the Connecticut, and before the first of January was encamped some forty miles above Albany. It is probable that he was there negotiating with the Mohawks, by his agents, for their coöperation in the spring, and it is believed that he had assurance from the French, of ammunition and arms, together with a body of Canadian Indians to reinforce him. But there were many things which might well discourage the chief at this time, notwithstanding all these promises of help, and the fact that the most of the tribes were committed to the war.

Canonchet, and his Narragansets, had not yet committed themselves, nor seemed inclined to do so, which was very depressing, not only to the leaders, but to those other chiefs and tribes who in one way or another had committed themselves to his cause. And again there was disaffection among the tribes and the chiefs who had been involved in the war by Philip's arts. But soon a new and tremendous impulse was given to the Indian side, when the scouts and advanced parties of the Narragansets began to come among the tribes in their hasty retreat, bringing news of their defeat and the disastrous destruction of their great fortress. At first they were not believed, and were not received by the Nipmucks and their allies, because they had been looked upon as pledged by the English to remain neutral; and, as the denunciation of the great leader and his tribe for their indifference, had been rife in all the great war councils of the adherents of Philip, so now these advance parties of their retreat were not believed. and when they came to the camp at Meminimisset, they were repulsed, and their messenger shot at, being accused of treachery and of being friends of the English, although they brought English scalps and heads in proof of their story. But when larger parties came, bringing more proofs of the same kind, and furnished confirmation from various sources, there was great rejoicing by the Indians that they had been thus struck down by the English, whom they had been so slow to fight. rejoicing was equally great, because of the immense acquisition of the strong tribe and valiant chief, the prestige of whose name and numbers turned all faltering and hesitation into willing and eager adherence. And as they had been last to break into hostility against the settlers, so their causes of hatred and desire for revenge were deeper.

At the beginning of "Philip's War," the Sachem of the Narragansets was Canonchet, son of Miantonimoh, whose tragic story has been told in the first chapter. He was an able, prudent and brave chief, who, though subjected to the tyranny of the colonies, and followed by the constant enmity and falsehood of old Uncas,



had been able to maintain peace with the English and their allies. and to lead his people to prosperity and power; so that in 1675, he was by far the most powerful chief in New England, his fighting force being reckoned by some authorities, as high as four thousand warriors. This estimate is probably double his actual force. It is said that he had encouraged Philip in the design to make a general revolution against the colonies, and had promised to be ready in 1676 to enter such war with his whole available force. When, however, Philip's men precipitated hostilities by the murder of Sausamon, first, and then by open and active preparation, when justice was dealt to the murderers, Canonchet restrained his people, and would not join Philip, but on the other hand would not assist in fighting him. When the troops had driven Philip and his people out from Mount Hope, and held them, as they thought, securely, in the Pocasset swamps, command came from Boston to march the army into the Narraganset country and demand a treaty at the point of the sword. That action seems to us now, as strategy, the height of stupidity; in spirit, the extreme of intolerance; and in result, entirely disastrous.

The only pretext for the invasion, was the rumor that the Narragansets were harboring some of the women and children of those who were in arms. They did not find Canonchet, or any of his Sachems, but only a few old men, whom they forced to act in behalf of the tribe. With these irresponsible persons, they formally enacted a treaty, remarkable only for its intolerance, and utter disregard of the rights of the Indians. Canonchet seems to have ignored this treaty entirely, and probably looked upon it as one more instance of the crafty influence of Uncas, who had hastened forward to assist the English at his earliest opportunity. And yet the Narraganset chief held aloof from Philip's active operations, evidently strengthening his own people with arms, ammunition and provisions, besides training his warriors and fortifying his country in several parts, as if determined to withstand

any attack which might be made upon him.

Canonchet, thus standing aloof from participation in the war, and fearing nothing from the English, who were constantly exercised against him by the wily arts of the Mohegans, was summoned to Boston, where he appeared before the Council and bore himself with manly dignity, but was constrained by his situation and by the threats of the Council, to sign a treaty binding him to fight against the hostile Indians, and to seize and deliver up all those Indians who had taken part in the war, and were now fled to his territories for shelter. This demand, so impossible for him to fulfil, he was induced to promise, under the pressure of present danger, knowing well that a refusal to accede to their demands would be taken as confirmation of the charges against him, and would result in his detention and perhaps death. He had no idea



of the sacredness of his promise in this treaty, and his experience with the English in former treaties, had not tended to give him exalted ideas of treaty promises. He was allowed to depart, having received the present of a coat, gaudily laced. We do not know how much effort he made to carry out his promise; we do know that he gathered his own people into the great fortress in the swamps, where, in December, he was overwhelmed by the Colonial army; in which battle great numbers of his people were destroyed.

The story of that fearful battle and its result to the English, and from their side, has been told. We know but little from the Indian side, and that only by accidental testimony. The English troops recruited at Wickford until the last of January, when, having been reinforced with fresh troops, they began the "Long March" through the Nipmuck Country, around to Marlborough,

and then to Boston.

Canonchet and his Narragansets had profited by the time of the army's inactivity; they returned to their ruined forts and buried their dead, cared for their wounded, and quietly sent their women and children with their sick and wounded out of harm's way. Then with a strong band of his fighting men as a rear-guard, Canonchet hung about the army, and closely observed all its motions, keeping out his scouts in every direction, with a line of posts and temporary camps along the whole line of the great "trail," even to the vicinity of Quabaog, where he soon established relations of alliance with the hostile tribes gathered at headquarters at Meminimisset. But just upon the eve of the advance of the troops, the Narragansets made a swift descent upon Warwick, where they burnt the buildings and corn and hay of Mr. Carpenter, as we have seen. It is probable that the Indian leaders were somewhat disconcerted by the advance of the army, both as to time and direction. The attack upon Mr. Carpenter was partly, perhaps, to turn the attention of the English in that direction. They succeeded in eluding the English, however, and were received into the great gathering of the tribes at their chief headquarters beyond Quabaog, as told above. There is evidence that old Canonicus, uncle of Canonchet, and many of the older chiefs of the Narragansets and their subject tribes, like Ninigret, chief of the Niantics, tried hard to restrain the warriors from open war. But the proud spirit of the younger Canonchet could not bow to the terrible blow they had received, and while the old chiefs were allowed to negotiate with the English about a treaty, Canonchet and the younger men, with Quinnapin as an able second, were training and preparing for war. After the junction was made with the Northern tribes, Philip having been apprised of it, and having promised plenty of ammunition from the French, the Narragansets were added as a part of the great hostile force of Indians gathered in the western parts. Canonchet



became the real leader of the great unorganized army of the Indians. His warriors far outnumbered the other tribes, besides being better trained and equipped, despite the severe losses they

had met at the great fort.

There is little doubt that the confederated tribes determined to drive the English out from the Connecticut valley, and to hold it. After locating his people in safe retreats. Canonehet, with a large party of his warriors, returned towards his own country, in order to recover some of the large quantities of corn secreted there, and especially for seed-corn to plant the English fields, from which they had driven the owners. A large raiding party from the various tribes came southward also. It is probable that the two companies were not far from each other, when Capt. Peirse arrived at Rehoboth, and they probably united in

his destruction, as related above.

After the battle with Capt. Peirse (March 26, 1676) the Indians made a furious attack upon Rehoboth upon the 28th day. burning some forty houses and nearly as many barns. Upon the 29th they appeared at Providence, and though the aged Roger Williams, the life-long friend of the southern tribes, went forth to meet them, unarmed, and leaning upon his staff, he was met by their old men, and warned by them that it would not be safe. even for him, to venture amongst them; and they said also, that there were many "stranger Indians" mixed with their tribes. He was thus forced to retire to the garrison-house with the rest of the inhabitants, while the Indians advanced and burned some thirty houses of the town. Robert Beers was slain, it is said, at this time. The Indians seem, after that, to have broken up into small prowling bands, which scouted upon the borders of the outlying towns, making an assault here and there, as opportunity seemed to offer, - April 9th at Billerica; April 19th at Andover, where they killed Joseph Abbot and captured his younger brother Timothy, burned the house of Mr. Faulkner and wounded Roger Marks; while another band, the same day, burned the deserted houses at Marlborough; and still another party appeared at Hingham and Weymouth, where they killed two men, one at

On April 20th they renewed the attack upon Hingham, where they burned the houses of Israel Hobart, Anthony Sprague, Joseph Jones and Nathaniel Chubbuck. On April 21st the main body of the Indians in Massachusetts swept in around Sudbury, of which attack detailed account has been given heretofore. Account has been given also of other attacks and operations in

the Northern parts.

In the meantime the Connecticut people were bestirring themselves, and had quietly enlisted some eighty of the friendly Indians of the Mohegans and Pequods, and a band of the Niantics, whose Sachem, Ninigret, although a Narraganset, had remained



neutral, in appearance, at least. Forty-seven English soldiers were joined with these, under command of Capt. George Denison of Stonington, and Capt. James Avery of New London, Connecticut. The Niantics were led by the chief Catapazat; the Pequods by Casassinamon; the Mohegans by Oneco, son of Uncas. This force, apparently unknown to the scouts of Canonchet, approached Pawtucket, and captured one of his guards in the vicinity, with two women, one of whom confessed that Canonchet was near at hand with but a small guard. With this news, confirmed by their scouts soon afterwards, the force pushed on and soon came in sight of the wigwam of the Sachem whom they When the quick ear of the chief caught the sound of an approaching body of men, he sent two of his attendants to the top of a hill near by to ascertain the cause, and these not returning, but fleeing for their lives, two more were sent, one of whom returned with the word that the enemy was close upon him. He seized his gun and sought to escape, but in his flight he came near a party of the scouts, who gave chase so closely that he was unable to elude them, and finally was forced to cross a small stream, where, entering hastily, his foot slipped on a small stone and he fell, wetting his gun, which was thus rendered useless, and he was left defenceless; and at the mishap, he confessed afterwards, "his heart turned within him, and he became as a rotten stick, void of strength." Monopoide, a Pequod Indian, was nearest him, and overtook him within thirty rods of the river, and captured him without any attempt at resistance. The pursuit was thus strenuous, because the chief had been obliged in his flight to east off his blanket, and then his lace-coat, which he had of late received from the English, and then his belt of wampum, and was thus recognized.

But though helpless and captive, he was still the proud and unconquered chief; and when young Robert Stanton, an interpreter, and among the first of the English to come up, began to question him, he turned away haughtily, saying, "You much child, no understand matters of war; let your brother or your chief come, him I will answer." Even Mr. Hubbard was struck by his noble bearing and heroism, and in his "Postscript," written after the first part of his history was printed, compares him to one of the old Romans, Attilius Regulus, since he would not accept of his own life upon compliance with the English. The condition seems to have been that he would send one of his Counsellors commanding his people to yield to the English, and thus save his life. His resolution was not to be shaken by any threats or bribes; and when he was told of his sentence of death, he replied that he "liked it well, that he should die before his heart was soft, or he had spoken anything unworthy of himself." He was taken to Stonington and there shot by Oneco, son of Uncas, his life-long enemy, and two Sachems of the Pequods, of equal rank.



There is no nobler figure in all the annals of the American Indians, than Canonchet, son of Miantonimoh, Sachem of the Narragansets. As he had become the real head and life of the Indians at war, so his capture was the death-blow to their hopes.

Had Canonchet lived to carry out the plans already entered upon, it is probable that the result of the campaign of the spring and summer, would have been far different. As it was, the great body of Indians still for some time held together, congregated upon the Connecticut about and above the "Falls," where Capt. Turner and his company found them and attacked them, on May

18th and 19th, 1676, as has already been related.

Of all the hostile tribes in this war, historians have assumed that Philip was the leader; and there is little doubt that he was the manager as well as the instigator of the war. But there were many powerful chiefs now engaged, and they were coming to realize that the destruction and plundering of a few villages of the settlers, here and there, resulted in provoking their vengeance, and in forcing the Indians themselves to withdraw from their old homes, into swamps and mountains and remote places. There was disaffection among the chiefs, as they found the situation of their tribes growing more and more precarious, and felt the same pressure, which had already driven the Wampanoags, Narragansets and many of the Nipmucks, from their homes, back upon the territory of the Northern tribes, where they were now apparently preparing to settle for the present, and were already utilizing the fishing-places, hunting-grounds and cornfields. The war party, however, was greatly in the majority, being composed of those who were actuated by desire for revenge, having lost all; those young and impetuous, who believed that it was possible to destroy the English, utterly, in the way of gaining glory in war, according to their ambition; and those who saw no other way left than to fight the war through for their lives. Philip was enabled to maintain some show of control over these chiefs, as it was he who had negotiated with each tribe, and managed in securing for them supplies of ammunition and arms; while he was also the authority to whom the French were promising supplies and men. for the reduction of the plantations in the coming summer. No one of those now left, dared to lead a revolt against Philip, and his personal adherents were in every camp and close to every chief, so that plots against him were sure to bring immediate vengeance upon the plotters.

The Narragansets, after the death of Canonchet, were drawn more under the authority of Philip, as several of the most notable warriors among the Narraganset chiefs, had been his adherents

from the start.

Pomham, or Pumham, whose territory lay next to Philip's domains, was a Narraganset chief of that part of Narraganset, called Shawomet, embracing what is now Warwick. He was considered



by the English the ablest soldier of the Narragansets, in his day. Although an old man, he was active in all the operations of Philip's war. His sons, also, were brave leaders. He was killed, desperately fighting for his life, in Dedham woods, July 25, 1676, by a party of English and friendly Indians, under Capt. Samuel Hunting. At the same time his son was captured, whom Mr. Hubbard describes as "a very likely Youth, and one whose Countenance would have bespoke Favour for him, had he not belonged to so bloody and barbarous an Indian as his Father was." The party of Indians consisted of some thirty-five, all of whom are said to have been "his relations and subjects."

Quinnapin, a near relative of Canonicus, early espoused the cause of Philip; he married Weetamoo, as explained above; was said to have been Canonchet's Lieutenant in the "Fort Fight," and a leader in the attack upon Lancaster in February, 1675-6. He purchased Mrs. Rowlandson from the Indians who captured her, and from her account we learn something of his character, habits and family. He had two wives beside Weetamoo. When the league of the tribes in the West was broken up, Quinnapin remained with Philip, and returned with him to the southern parts. In August, 1676, he was captured, and upon the 24th of that month was tried at Newport, R.I., by a Court-Martial, held by the Governor and Assistants, and, with other captives, was condemned to death; on the 25th he was shot.

Pessacus or Mossup, a Narraganset, a nephew of Canonicus, and a very influential counsellor of Canonchet, remained with a part of the tribe in the northern parts, and was finally killed, beyond the Pascataqua river in 1677, by the Mohawks, it is said. There were other notable chiefs of the Narragansets who took part in the war, Potok, Quaqualh, "Stone-Wall-John," and others, but

the first three were the principal.

Of the Wampanoags, Philip's chief men were, Tuspaquin, Sachem of Assowomset, who married Amie, as she was called by the English, sister of Philip and daughter of Massasoit. Tuspaquin was called also "The Black Sachem," and he was at the head of the large party of Indians who, in the Spring of 1676, hung about the towns of Plymouth Colony and made successful raids against Scituate, Bridgewater and Plymouth. He was one of the last to hold out after Philip's death; and when the wandering bands were reduced to a few handfuls here and there, he was induced to come in and surrender by the promise of Mr. Church, and by the capture of his family, who were well treated and taken to Plymouth. Mr. Church promised him that his life and the lives of his family should be spared; but when he came in and surrendered, Mr. Church was not at Plymouth, and Tuspaquin was immediately tried and executed.

Annawon. This old chief appears to have been the most intimate and trusted counsellor of Philip. He was close to his



chief at the time of his death, and led the band safely out of the swamp. He was captured soon after, with the remnants of the Wampanoags, at a place within the present limits of Rehoboth, and surrendered under promise of "good quarter." He gave up the treasure, and "royalties" of Philip, which he had in charge, to Mr. Church. He was executed at Plymouth, at the same time with Tuspaquin.

Totoson, son of the celebrated chief "Sam Barrow," was another of the "great captains" of Philip who survived him awhile, only to be destroyed by Mr. Church, and his mixed com-

pany of English and Indians.

Of other chiefs, who were important actors in the war, were the various sachems of the local tribes, some of whom have received mention in the course of this history. In the time of Philip's war, the interior tribes of Massachusetts were, known under the general term of Nipmucks, or Nipnets, while it is probable that the Indians themselves understood that name to include the tribe which lived in the territory included in Worcester county, south of Worcester city, and probably beyond the State line, and upon the ponds, in the present towns of "Dudley, Webster, Douglas. Sutton, Oxford, Auburn, &c." The name Nipnet, means "fresh water," and is supposed to have distinguished these tribes from the "Coast Indians." The tribes, living along the Connecticut and its branches, were called "River Indians," and included the Agawams, Waranokes, Nonotucks, Pacomptucks and Squakheags. The Quabaug Indians lived in the territory about the old town of Brookfield. The Nashaways had their chief village at Lancaster, and included the large villages at "Washakum Ponds," and about "Mount Wachusett."

Of these tribes the most prominent leaders in the war were, *Mattoonus*, a Nipnet; Monoco and "Sagamore-Sam," of the Nashaways; *Mawtamp* of Quabaug, and *Pakashokag*, called "John of

Pakachoog."

Upon Philip's realizing the growing disaffection of the River Indians, and becoming aware also of their negotiations with the English, to betray him, he left the Connecticut, with his own tribe, and such of the Narragansets as still followed with him, and came to the parts about Wachusett, where his force was increased by many of the Quabaugs and Nashaways, under Sagamore Sam and Mawtamp. But this force was by no means manageable, for any length of time, and only when being organized for active service. Dissensions and jealousies began to arise, while the English were preparing for vigorous measures of pursuit; and about the first of June, 1676, Philip, with his Wampanoags and Narragansets, went away towards their old home. Philip and his tribe went to Pokanoket, or Mount Hope; while the Narragansets passed into their own country.

The English became aware of his presence in his old place, early



in July, and thereafter he was constantly pursued by parties sent out from Boston and Plymouth, but he could not be found. Narragansets, in the meantime, were being pursued and captured and destroyed by the Connecticut forces, with their Mohegan and Pequod allies. The principal exploit of these forces was the massacre of the people of the "Old Queen," Magnus (known also as the "Sunk Squaw," and also as "Quiapen"), on July 2d. Within a few days more than two hundred of the enemy came in and surrendered to the Plymouth authorities; and between that and the close of July, there was a constant series of captures and surrenders of the Indians, so that Philip was left almost alone; even his wife and young son having been captured by the English, mostly the mixed company under Mr. Church. About the 7th of August, a small company went out from Taunton, and captured a party of the Indians of Weetamo, who, herself, trying to escape across the river upon a small raft, was drowned; and her body being found a few days after, her head was severed, and being placed upon a pole, was paraded in the street at Taunton.

Philip, at last, being hunted down by the English and Indians on every side, retired, with a few of his staunchest friends, to his old retreat in a swamp at Mount Hope. Mr. Church was then in command of a scouting company of English and Indians from Plymouth, and having passed over from Pocasset, where he left most of his company, to Rhode Island, to Major Sanford's, he there heard from the Major and Capt. Golding, of Philip's condition, as reported by a deserter, whose brother Philip had killed, for advising surrender. This Indian offered to pilot the English to Philip's hiding-place. Major Sanford and Capt. Golding both offered to go with his company to assist in Philip's capture. They were soon back at "Trip's Ferry," with the rest of his company under Capt. John Williams of Scituate. Having arrived at the swamp, piloted by the deserter, Mr. Church requested Capt. Golding to lead the skirmishing party, led by the pilot, into the swamp, to "beat up the quarters" of Philip. This the Captain accepted, and drew out his allotted men. Church instructed him to creep forward as silently as possible, in order to encompass and surprise the Indians, but when discovered to shout and make all possible noise, as the orders to the various ambuseades were to fire upon all, who came towards them silently. Mr. Church then placed the rest of the men, with most of the Indians under Capt. Williams, so as to encompass all ways of escape from the swamp, placing an Englishman and an Indian together. Hardly had these arrangements been completed when a musket-shot, followed by a whole volley, rang through the swamp, and then the general onset began. The Indians were taken completely by surprise, and Philip, springing hastily from his sleep, under the rude open wigwam, seized his powder-horn and gun, and started from the hillside, where he had made his



camp, for the deeper security of the swamp. But in his flight, he came face to face with two of Mr. Church's men, and, the Englishman's musket missing fire, the Indian immediately shot the great chieftain through the breast, so that he fell forward upon his face, with his gun beneath him, in the water of the swamp. The Indian who killed Philip was named Alderman. and is said to have been the same who betrayed his hiding-place. When this Indian ran to Mr. Church with the news of his achievement, he was told to keep it secret until after the rest of the enemy had been beaten out of the swamp, or captured or killed. Their retreat and escape from the English was ably conducted by old Annawon, Philip's chief Sachem. When all the company had gathered about the place, where Philip's party had bivouacked, Mr. Church told them the great news of Philip's death, and presently ordered some of the Indians to drag him out of the swamp, to the solid land. There he was chopped in quarters and beheaded, and left unburied; his head and one hand were given to Alderman as a reward, and in Mr. Church's account it is said that he got "many a penny" by showing the

Such was the end of Philip of Mount Hope, one of the most remarkable characters in all American history, whose biography has never yet been adequately written, and who, although by no means a hero, or a character to be admired, was, without doubt, a wise and skilful leader, and more dreaded by the colonists than any other man, before or after him.

His death was heard of with universal rejoicing, in the colo-

nies, and was considered as the practical close of the war.



XXVII.

CHRISTIAN INDIANS OF NEW ENGLAND.

IN this history, reference has constantly been made to the Christian or Friendly Indians, and in some cases, comments have been made as to their relation to the war, their personal services, etc. It seems fitting that some more general and definite reference should be made to their services, and their relation to the Colony, as well as to their place in public opinion.

In preceding chapters, many incidents concerning the Christian Indians have been related in connection with the operations of the English soldiers, while the same matters, somewhat more at length, are here related again. It will be readily understood, that these repetitions are made for the sake of preserving the continuity of the story, in this chapter devoted to these Indians.

In order to a clear understanding, it may be well to refer briefly to the origin of the movement, which resulted in "christianizing" a part of the Indians in the New England Colonies. The experiment was inaugurated by the zealous efforts of Rev. John Eliot, who came to New England in the ship "Lyon, William Peirce Master," which arrived in Boston, November 3, 1631. He was born in Nasing, Essex, England, in 1604, "of godly parents." He was a fellow of Jesus College, Cambridge,

where he received his B.A. degree, in 1622.

Upon his arrival in Boston, Mr. Eliot was engaged to officiate in the church in the absence of Mr. Wilson, the pastor, then in England; and next year, his friends, to whom he was partly engaged before leaving England, having arrived and settled at Roxbury, he was called to their new church, and there ordained as their teacher, in 1632. His affianced wife arrived in the summer of that year, and they were married in October. Mr. Eliot soon evinced deep interest in the welfare of the Indians, and studied their language and habits, and especially their habits of thought in the direction of religion. He went much amongst them, and, in order to a closer study of their language, hired one of good intelligence and spirit, to live at his house and

A very interestic little book has just now (May 1896) been written by Mr. William Wallace Tooker, giving the tearraphy of a Long Island Indian named Cheekenen or Cookenen, and presenting a citin, with riveng circumstantial evidence, that he was identical with the young Pegnot captive of where Mr. Look speaks, as living at Mr. Richard Calicett's in Dorchester, and who was the first to teach Mr. Elont the Indian language, and his first interpreter.



assist in his studies. This Indian was Job Nesutan, and he was Mr. Eliot's chief assistant, but was killed at the beginning of Philip's War, while serving with the English against Philip. though he was then eighty-six years old. Mr. Eliot was eminent for his learning, especially in Hebrew, but was more eminent for his deep piety and self-consecration to his chosen work. He was particularly impressed with the great opportunity presented by the Indian tribes, for the spread of the gospel of Christ. He marked with great concern the general indifference of the English to this opportunity for Christian work, but doubled his own endeavors to achieve the great purpose. There is no more glorious achievement in our annals. both for its heroic spirit and its vast labor, than his mastering of the Indian language and his translation of the Bible into the Indian tongue. In the meantime, the Indians in the neighborhood of the settlements, had lived mostly at peace with the English, who had bought their lands, peltry, and labor, and paid in "truck," cheap clothes, fire-arms, "fire-water," etc.; for the most part carrying on with them a system of deception and extortion which we, in our reverence for the Puritans and Pilgrims, can hardly realize as possible. But we remember the confidence of their religious purpose, and their strong faith that God meant this country for them, and to "give the lands of the heathen for their inheritance;" and they looked upon the Indians, as the Jews upon the Gentiles of old, as necessary impediments to their onward course, to be used for their own advantage, when possible, or to be pushed aside at will. But all did not hold this opinion; and there were many among the leaders, in all the colonies, who from the first, regarded the rights of the Indians, and sought to help them; and many believed that they should be treated with justice under the laws, their rights maintained, and their spiritual welfare secured by the efforts of the Courts and the Churches.

Many letters had been written by the settlers, to their friends in England, about the Indians and their habits, and also of the remarkable success of the French Jesuits in converting them to their religion; all which had the effect of stirring up a strong sentiment in England towards the evangelization of the Indians in New England, by the settlers. But greatest of all influences tending to this purpose, were the letters and tracts of Mr. Eliot. Several of the tracts are still preserved, and No. 1 was reprinted in 1865, for Joseph Sabin, New York. This "Tract I." was first

printed in 1643, with the following title:

New England's First Fruits in respect —

Conversion of Some
Conviction of divers
Preparation of Sundry

of the Indians.



The remainder of the title referred to the "Colledge at Cambridge," etc.

Later, three other tracts appeared, viz.:

TRACT II. The Day breaking if not the Sun rising of the Gospel with the Indians in New England. London, 1647.

TRACT III. The clear sunshine of the Gospel breaking forth upon

the Indians of New England. Thomas Shepard, London, 1648.

TRACT IV. The glorious progress of the Gospel amongst the Indians of New England. Edward Winslow, London, 1649.

There were eleven tracts in all, the last issued in 1671.

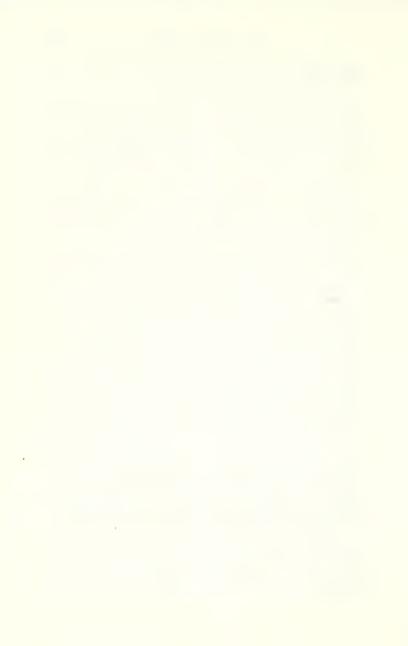
In 1646, the General Court of Massachusetts passed an Act for the Propagation of the Gospel amongst the Indians, and recommending elders of the churches to take measures for carrying this into effect.

In England, great interest was shown in the work, and Mr. Eliot received pecuniary assistance for establishing schools among the natives. Oliver Cromwell and other high dignitaries were greatly interested, and July 27, 1649, an Ordinance was passed by the "Long Parliament," forming "A Corporation for the Promoting and Propagating the Gospel of Jesus Christ in New England." Nearly £12,000 in money was collected and invested by this corporation, for the purposes set forth; and Commissioners, and a Treasurer were appointed in New England to receive and expend the income, chiefly in Massachusetts, near Boston, but a portion in somewhat distant parts, and in New York. Upon the Restoration of Charles II. in 1660, this corporation was annulled, but by the extreme exertions of Hon. Robert Boyle, the company was reëstablished with a royal charter, and kept up its work. The work was chiefly done by itinerant teachers, preachers and missionaries, and was kept up in various stations until the Revolution, after which, by the charter, it had to be transferred to the Provinces.2

On October 28th, 1646, Mr. Eliot, by appointment, met a small congregation of Indians at Nonantum, now within the city of Newton, and preached to them in their own tongue. The meeting was held in the wigwam of one named Waban, who was converted afterwards and became ruler of the "Praying Village" at Natick. Mr. Eliot labored thereafter unceasingly in behalf of the Indians, and chiefly through his wisdom, fidelity and devotion, the Christian Indian communities attained the size and efficiency,

¹ Reprinted in Mass. Hist. Coll., vol. xxiv. 1-23.

Interesting details concerning this society will be found in the New England Historical AND (England States), vol. 36, pages 157-161, 271-5; and vol. 22, pages 299-309. The society, which is still in existence, is now called the "New England Society." Two societies in corporated since, as I both still nexistence, is now called the troops and are likely to be confounded with it, namely, "The Society for the Propagation of the troops in Foreign Parts," incorporated in 1701, and "The Society for Englandian of the Cospel mone the Indiana and others in North America," incorporated in 1757. See above mentioned "Resisten," vol. 39, pp. 182-3, and vol. 42-nn. 428-361. 42, pp. 329-30.



with which they were found at the beginning of Philip's war,

their relations to which, we started mainly to consider.

From Major-General Gookin's "History of the Christian Indians" we learn nearly all that is known of their numbers, progress, conditions, sufferings and services during Philip's war. In the beginning he says:

The Christian Indians in New England have their dwellings in sundry jurisdictions of the English Colonies, and that at a considerable dis-

tance from each other; more particularly,

1st. Upon the Islands of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard, in which two islands there inhabit many hundreds of them that visibly profess the Gospel. These Indians have felt very little of this war comparatively; for the English that dwell upon those Islands have held a good correspondence with these Indians all the time of the war, as they did before the war began, etc.

Gen. Gookin says these "Island Indians" were accustomed to come up into the colonies to work in the summer for the settlers, and thus to supply themselves with clothing and other things which were very scarce upon the islands. When the war broke out these were all sent back to their homes with great loss, "because the English were so jealous, and filled with animosity against all Indians without exception." These, therefore, had no part in the war.

2nd. Another considerable number of Christian Indians live within the jurisdiction of New Plymouth, called the Cape Indians.

He speaks of the assistance which these rendered the English in the war, but says that the English in the Plymouth colony were slow to employ them, being suspicious of them, as they were related to the Wampanoags, but there was no evidence of bad faith on their part in any instance. These, like the Island Indians, were outside active participation, except those who served

with the English.

He mentions next, the small number of those belonging to the Mohegans, and living at New Warwick, Connecticut, who had been taught by Rev. James Fitch, pastor of the church at Norwich. There were about forty of these Indians who had become Christians in profession, through the efforts of Mr. Fitch; while Uneas their chief, and his son Oneko, were bitterly opposed to the teaching and preaching among the Mohegans. But all were on friendly terms with the colonies, and served very gladly whenever the service would lead them against the Narragansets, their ancient implacable enemies. In their character as "Christian" Indians, they did not, therefore, attain much prominence.

The chief body of the Christian Indians were lastly, those within the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Colony, "who were



taught and instructed in the Christian faith, by that indefatigable servant of God and minister of Christ, Mr. John Eliot;" who, Gen. Gookin declares (in 1676-7), has labored among all the praying Indians in New England, more or less for thirty years. Of the Massachusetts Christian Indians he speaks in full, these having been under his special superintendence, and having been more concerned in the war, than any or all the rest.

There were seven villages of these Christian Indians, all to the

south of the Merrimac River, viz.:

Wamesit, included in old Chelmsford, but now the city of Lowell.

Nashobah, within the present town of Littleton.

Okkokonimesit, or Marlborough.

Hassannamesit, or Grafton.

Makunkokoag, now Hopkinton.

Natick, which has preserved its name to the present.

Punkapog or Pakomit, which is now partly in Canton, Mass. These were the "Old Praying" villages, so-called, in distinc-

These were the "Old Praying villages, so-called, in distinction from some half dozen villages among the Nipmucks, called the "New Praying Towns," which latter, however, were just beginning, and soon fell off from the English, when their tribes

joined in the war.

A few of these only, came to Mailborough and joined the Christian Indians there, and remained until forced away by their tribes in hostility. These "Praying towns" were so located that they might have formed a line of defence, for the greater part of the Massachusetts towns upon the frontier; and it was proposed and urged by those who knew most about these Christian Indians that the forts, which in most cases they had built for themselves, under the direction of the English, should now be garrisoned by them, with English officers and about one third of the garrison English soldiers; and that these should be improved in scouting and guarding the frontiers. There is little doubt that this course would have saved most of the destruction and bloodshed, which took place in Massachusetts during the war; but there was a furious popular prejudice against all Indians, and the majority of the population had no confidence in any attempt to employ Indians in military movements.

The Mohegans and Pequods, under Uncas, were in alliance with the English, and were bound to them by their hostility to the Narragansets, and though not Christian Indians, serve to illustrate the wisdom of the plan proposed in Massachusetts by Gen. Gookin. For the hostile Indians never dared to invade the Connecticut Colony to any notable extent, and burned only one small (and already deserted) village, during the whole war.

In the beginning of the war, in the campaign at Mount Hope, we have seen that the Mohegans, with a few of the Christian



Indians from Natick, did all' the execution which was wrought

upon Philip in his retreat.

A Christian Indian, John Sassamon, whom Gen. Gookin calls the "first Martyr of the Christian Indians," and whose story is told in the first chapter, ante page 25, was, we have seen, murdered for his discovery of Philip's plans to the English. He was killed by Philip's order, and his murderers were afterwards arrested and executed by the English. It was this conviction and execution of the murderers of Sassamon, undoubtedly, which precipitated the war at least a year before Philip had planned its beginning. In the meantime, several of the Christian Indians had expressed their belief, that a plan was on foot for the general destruction of the English in the colonies; and among these was Waban, a Nipmuck, at whose tent, amongst that people, Mr. Eliot had first preached to them in their own tongue. Waban himself, having been the first of his tribe to be converted, became afterwards the principal ruler of the Christian Indians at Natick. In April, 1675, Waban came to Gen. Gookin and warned him of Philip's intention, shortly to attack the English; and again in May, he came and urged the same, and said that "just as soon as the trees were leaved out," the Indians would fall upon the towns. Very little attention was paid to these reports by the Governor and Council at Boston, and within a month the despatch came from Plymouth that the war had begun, account of which has been given.

When the forces first marched out to Mount Hope, June 24th, 1675, Capt. Prentice took with him as guides three Christian Indians, viz., James Quanapohit; Thomas Quanapohit, alias "Rumneymarsh," his brother; and Zachary Abram, all of whom, in that campaign, acquitted themselves bravely and well, despite the bitter hostility of many of the officers and soldiers, and their threats and open insults. If our soldiers had not been blinded by the popular clamor against all Indians, they would have seen in their experience with these scouts, and in the success of Uneas and his Indians a few days later, the utter uselessness of the noisy and clumsy infantry tactics of the English, in Indian warfare, whenever it was a march of invasion or pursuit. The enemy were always apprised of the coming of the troops for miles ahead. The Connecticut officers and soldiers were readier to learn of their Indian allies, and were thus saved from many disasters, and secured many substantial victories. It is related, that in one of their marches into the enemy's country, one of the English soldiers wore squeaking shoes, and the Indian leader insisted upon his changing them for his own moccasins, while he carried the shoes, slung at his back, and himself went barefoot. Another of the soldiers were a pair of leather breeches which being dry made a rustling noise, which the Indian objected to, and refused to proceed, until the breeches were either removed or soaked in water, to prevent the rustling. The chief element of success in Indian



warfare was the secrecy and silence of their movements. We can appreciate, therefore, the immense advantage the early and general use of the friendly Indians, would have brought to the forces of the colony. It is probable that nearly all the fearful disasters which came to our troops, and the many defeats and disappointments which came to their plans, might have been prevented, but for that stupid prejudice and distrust which shut out, and contemptuously ignored, the willing services of the Christian Indians. The Governor and Council. and most of the men in authority, and many of the chief officers like Gen. Denison, Major Willard, Major Savage, Capts. Prentice and Henchman, favored the use of friendly Indians; indeed the Governor, July 2, 1675, gave orders to Gen. Gookin to raise a company of the Christian Indians, for service at Mount Hope. pursuance of this, one-third of the able-bodied men in all the villages were mustered, and amounted to a company of fifty-two. This company was conducted to Mount Hope by Capt. Johnson and a small escort, and there delivered to the commander of the forces. All served twenty-five days, when one-half their number were dismissed, the rest remaining until the close of the campaign, as seen under the chapter devoted to Capt. Henchman's operations. All acquitted themselves satisfactorily to their officers. Some of them proved their sincerity in the barbarous way of that day; for it is told that John Hunter, Thomas Quanapohit, and Felix, brought home to Gov. Leverett four of the scalps of enemies slain by their hands in this campaign; and Job Nesutan, the principal assistant of Mr. Eliot in his translation of the Bible, was There can be little doubt that if in the pursuit of Philip into the Nipmuck country, the counsel of the Natick Indians had been heeded by Capt. Henchman, Philip and most of his company would have been destroyed, the Mohegans having on the previous day sorely pressed them and driven them into swamps.

In the negotiations attempted by Capt. Hutchinson with Quabaug Indians, three of the Christian Indians were sent as guides and interpreters, viz.: George Memecho, and the brothers Joseph and Sampson, sons of old Robin Petuhanit, deceased. These all strongly advised against the advance, and warned the English, but were in the fight with Capt. Wheeler's men. George was captured and afterwards escaped, bringing back an intelligent account of the situation of the hostile tribes; and it is probable that the entire force under Capt. Wheeler would have been destroyed but for the fidelity and skill of Joseph and Sampson, in conducting the retreat and avoiding the ambush set by the enemy. But, although this was known and vouched for by the officers, the popular feeling was so bitter, that these two were threatened and insulted by the soldiers, so that in utter discouragement they fell away to the enemy at Hassanamesit, and Sampson was slain in fight by some friendly Indian scouts at Wachusett;



while Joseph, having been captured, was sold into slavery at Jamaica. by some Boston merchants, but afterwards, by Mr. Eliot's importunity, was brought back again, though never released.

Finally, Aug. 30, 1675, the Governor and Council, yielding to popular prejudice, against their own better judgment, decreed the disbandment of all Christian Indian companies in service; and that they be restrained from all usual commerce with the English, and confined to their five villages; and no one of them to travel more than one mile from the centre of such village except in the company of English, or on service. The five villages designated were Natick, Punquapog, Nashobah, Wamesit, and Hassanamesit. All Christian Indians were to repair to these villages. If any shall be found breaking these rules, the English are at liberty to shoot them down as enemies, or arrest them. It was recommended by the Court that several of the English should reside in each village, and this was earnestly desired by the Indians themselves, for their own protection; but few could be found who were willing to withstand popular prejudice, as all who expressed sympathy or confidence towards these Indians were at once denounced as fools or traitors. Maj. Gen. Gookin, and even the saintly Eliot, were loaded with reproaches and threats, and insulted in the streets, because of their advocacy of the rights of the Christian Indians. John Watson, senior, and Henry Prentiss, of Cambridge, were with the Naticks for twelve weeks and gave certificate of their orderly, discreet and religious conduct. Although Watson had gone among them bitterly opposed to them, and sharing the common opinion against them, he was entirely converted by his experience, and declared it, though incurring much popular indignation by that course. Chief among the officers who led the hostile fury was Capt. Mosely in Boston, whose acts of persecution are set down in the chapter heretofore devoted to him, among which the breaking up of the village at Marlborough, and the imprisonment of the helpless and harmless Indians, was perhaps the most open outrage sustained by any; and it is to the credit of the magistrates that they did not yield to the tremendous pressure of the people's rage, which by every device possible kept these poor creatures on trial for their lives, and imprisoned through many weeks. Early in October, the fever rose to its height, and the Court was importuned with many petitions to remove all the Christian Indians to one place, and put them under military guard. In spite of all proof and testimony, and all the favor of the Court, and the best conscience of the community, together with the advocacy of Gen. Gookin, Mr. Eliot, Corporal Thomas Swift, inspector at Punquapog, John Watson above mentioned, Mr. John Hoar of Concord, and others, the popular frenzy prevailed, and there is no doubt that, in several cases, fires were set and damage was



done, by inhabitants living near the "Praying Villages," who hated these Indians and desired their removal; or often by hostile Indians who were skulking about in the neighborhood, and knew they had more to fear from the scouts of these Christian Indians than from all the troops of the English. October 18th, a party of the hostile Indians set fire to a haystack of Lieut. Richardson at Chelmsford, and managed so that the deed should appear to be done by the Wamesit Praying Indians, that so the English should remove them from their village, or so persecute them as to drive them to the enemy. This crime was afterward confessed by Nathaniel, a hostile Indian, who was taken at Dover by the strategy of Major Waldron, and executed at Boston. Although Lieut. Richardson declared that the "Praying Indians" were his warm friends, and would never injure him, their best friend in those parts, all availed nothing, the vulgar clamor prevailed, and the Court next day, passed an order for the troopers to bring down the Wamesits, and also the Punkapogs, upon some like occasion

of complaint.

This order of the Council was carried out by a strong guard of troopers and infantry. The whole number of the Wamesits. in their village, was one hundred and forty-five, of whom only thirty-three were able-bodied men. The original order was for all to be brought down; but after the village had been broken up and all had been started on the way, it occurred to the Council that there were no sufficient accommodations for so large a body of people, especially Indians, and they prudently ordered all, save the able-bodied, back to their village. The thirty-three men were brought down to Charlestown, and lodged in the townhouse, under guard, for a few days, and then all except a few, against whom some suspicions existed, were returned to their homes. The Punkapogs were brought as far as Dorchester, but after an interview with their ruler, William Ahaton, the Council sent all the tribe, save a few "suspects," home. About the first of October a great clamor was raised against the Naticks, accusing them of burning an old empty building in Dedham. It was a false device of their enemies to ruin them; but in spite of all the better influence of the magistrates and ministers, the design practically succeeded. The popular fury so raged that the authorities and the friends of these Indians believed that it would be best to get them down to Deer Island. This was accomplished, and although Capt. Prentice, their good friend, conducted them down, and did all he could to protect them, their neighbors, the English, as soon as they had left their homes, immediately fell upon their villages and robbed them of everything which they had left behind; and they had been obliged to leave their homes at an hour's notice. Their guns, hunting-gear, ammunition. stores, etc., all which was their own private property, were plundered by their English neighbors and never returned to



them. Rev. Mr. Eliot, Major Gookin and others of their friends, met them at the "Falls of the Charles River" and they were taken down to Deer Island in boats, with such of their poor belongings as they were able to bring along. Some two hundred in all were landed upon the bleak island, with scant clothing and food, and no shelter save such as they might construct. They suffered incredibly in many ways, being obliged to subsist largely upon clams, and such fish as might be taken from the shore.

In November, the Hassanamesit Praying Village was attacked by the hostile Indians, and about fifty men and one hundred and fifty women and children captured. They had been disarmed by the English, and so abused and threatened by their English neighbors that many went willingly, as they were persuaded that the English were mostly hostile to them, and meant to destroy them. James Speen and Job Kattenanit escaped and brought the news to the English. Their ruler "Capt. Tom," alias "Wuttasacomponom," had been a tried and trusted friend of the English, but had been so insulted and threatened by some of them that he yielded to the enemy, and many others followed with him. The pastor of their church, Joseph Tuckapawillin, and his aged father Naoas, went unwillingly and sorrowfully.

By this stroke the cause of christianizing the Indians met with a very severe check, there being three villages, viz., Hassanamesit, Magunkog and Chobonokonomum, broken up. Properly armed and garrisoned with a few English, along with the Indians, these villages would have been a strong defence in the war. It was upon this disaster that Capts. Henchman and Syll came to Hassanamesit, and the record of their expedition shows that all the success they had was achieved by the five Natick scouts, of whom three were Thomas and James Quanapohit and Eleazar Pegin, who were highly commended for their services, their courage and fidelity, by their officers. But the hate and prejudice was so bitter among the soldiers, that Capt. Syll was forced to send three of the Indians back home. For lack of these, Lieut. Philip Curtis lost his life uselessly, his company being left without any scouts. James and Thomas Quanapohit remained in Capt. Syll's company.

When Job Kattenanit escaped from Hassanamesit he left his three children with the hostile Indians, and was granted a pass to go into the woods to try to recover them; but meeting with some of Capt. Henchman's soldiers, he was seized and stripped of most of his clothing and his arms, and then by the Captain, to still the rage of the soldiers and populace, he was sent down to Boston, and there thrown into prison, no note being taken of his pass from Major Gookin. He suffered here from the foulness of the prison and the crowded situation, and the insults and perse-

cutions to which they were subjected.

In the meantime the Wamesits were meeting with another



disaster, in the burning of a barn of hav, by some hostile Indian or Englishman, for the purpose of casting reproach upon them. Lieut. Thomas Henchman, and Lieut. James Richardson, whose barn was burnt, were friends of these Indians and in charge of them, and believed them innocent; but some of the English at Chelmsford secretly organized a party who went to the wigwams and shot down five women, seriously wounding them and killing a boy outright. The assault was unqualified, brutal murder. The lad was a son of a Sagamore, and grandson of a worthy old Sachem, Tahatawarre. The mother, who was among the dangerously wounded, was the daughter of that staunch friend of the English, "Sagamore John." This horrible outrage greatly exercised the Council; and the murderers, two fellows named Largin and Robins, who were shown to be the ones who had fired their guns, loaded with shot, into the crowd, were arrested. notwithstanding the efforts of the magistrates and ministers, with all the best men of the colony, no jury could be found to convict them; and after an extended imprisonment they were set free. By this act the rest of the Indians were so disheartened and frightened that they all forsook their villages and went away towards Pennacook to join Wannalancet. Sam Numphow and John Lyne, their rulers, sent back a written answer, by the messengers of the Council (sent to induce them to return, and promising protection), that they had confidence in the Council's good will, but feared the people, and so were going away "to the French." This last was the sharpest point of reproach, as it compared the success of the Catholics with the notable failure of the Protestants to convert the Indians. But being in straitened circumstances. and earnestly reassured by the Council, they were induced to return after a few weeks; and Lieut. Thomas Henchman was placed in charge as their guardian, and Major Willard, Mr. Eliot and Major Gookin went up and visited them. Symon Betokom, one of their teachers, told Mr. Eliot that while in the woods they held their worship three Sabbaths, in their rude way. He said, "The first Sabbath I read and taught the people from Psalm 35; the second, from Psalm 46; and the third, from Psalm 118;" a pathetic picture, showing somewhat the opportunity which the prejudice and greed of the Puritan masses lost to the cause of Protestant Christianity. Sometime after the Naticks were taken to Deer Island, the Punkapogs were also brought down, making the number there, all told, five hundred. Although the magistrates, and their faithful friends Eliot and Gookin, did all in their power to help them, these poor souls suffered terribly from cold and hunger during the winter.

After the great fight at Narraganset, it was greatly desired to learn the position and movements of the Indians to the westward, towards the Connecticut River. Major Gookin was requested to enlist two of the Indians at Deer Island to go as spies amongst



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the enemies. He selected Job Kattenanit and James Quanapo-These two were sent away into the woods and got among the Indians at Brookfield about January 3d, and by a plausible story of escape from Deer Island and of their sufferings there and their wish to release their friends from that place, were received. and remained for a month amongst the enemies, and the story of their sojourn contains nearly all that is known of the events during that important time, when the Narragansets were coming northward and all the tribes were gathering for the struggle of the coming Spring. Upon January 24th James returned, fearing mischief from Philip, who had sent for Mautamp to bring James up to him. James escaped with the assistance of Job, who wished to remain until able to bring off his children. James came into the house of Isaac Williams, at the Falls of the Charles River, and came with him, the next day, to Major Gookin, and to the Council, to whom he made report of his sojourn, and the position and numbers, disposition and purpose of the Indians, allied with Philip. His report was communicated to Connecticut Colony and is preserved in their archives. James told of the plan of the Indians to assault the frontier towns, beginning with Lancaster, in about three weeks' time. Job Kattenanit escaped and came in on February 9th, confirming James's account and reporting the war-party already marching upon Lancaster. Acting upon his report, messengers were despatched to Marlborough, Concord and Lancaster, and Capt. Wadsworth with forty men marched from Marlborough, in time to find the bridge burned, as James had said the Indians planned, but escaping the ambush laid by the regular road, the English were guided around by another bridge and were able to beat the enemy off from the garrison-house owned by Mr. Cyprian Stevens, and thus to secure the town from entire destruction. If the warning of James had been heeded, the destruction of the Rowlandson garrison-house, and the death and captivity of its occupants, might easily have been averted. But for all the hardships and fidelity of these two, the vulgar prejudice was so great that the Governor and Council were again forced to yield, and these faithful men returning from their service were sent down again to Deer Island, to share the privations of their brethren. And not only against these, but against their friends, Eliot, Gookin and Danforth, the blind fury raged, and the lives of these true men were attempted in a cowardly manner on several occasions. In February, the Wamesits, fearing the hostile Indians on the one hand, and their English neighbors on the other, petitioned to be removed to some safer place within the Colony. The Court promised, but neglected to take care of them, and the great body of them fled to Pennacook, to Wannalancet, being forced to leave behind for the time some half a dozen of their aged and blind, whom they considered safe, being helpless and harmless. After they were gone, these poor creatures



were found and brutally murdered (being burned to death, as appeared, within their wigwam) by two brutes of the English, against whom nothing direct could be proved, but who were quite well known by the public, as they rather enjoyed such

notoriety than feared it among their fellows.

In this retreat of the Wamesits, Sam Numphow, their ruler, and Mystic George, died from exposure and famine. Upon the partial destruction of Medtield, February 21st, as James and Job had foretold in their account of the enemies' programme, the popular shame and spleen raged not against the stupidity and inefficiency of the two companies of soldiers mostly asleep in the houses of the town, without outposts or scouts, but against the inoffensive Indians at Deer Island; and a plot was laid by a large number of the most violent and dissolute of the lower classes gathered in and about Boston. The plot was to go over to Deer Island from "Pulling Point" in large boats, and fall upon the defenceless Indians with indiscriminate skaughter. The horrible plot was discovered, and a few of the ringleaders summoned before the Court, which frustrated the cowardly design.

The Nashobah Christian Indians were at Concord in charge of Mr. John Hoare, and were quiet, peaceful and industrious. The popular discontent could not bide their peace, and the more hostile took advantage of the presence of Capt. Mosely, and enlisted his interference with them. He, with his rough soldiers, came into the church on the Sabbath, and after the services, spoke to the congregation in his haughty and insolent way, declaring his intention to break up the Indian village and carry all the "heathen" down to Boston. He carried out his threat the next day without any authority, and against the remonstrance of that honorable Christian gentleman, Mr John Hoare, who held commission from the Court for their care. He broke into their great house, which belonged to Mr. Hoare, plundered the poor helpless creatures of all they had, insulted and abused Mr. Hoare, and sent the Indians, to the number of tifty-eight, of whom twelve only were able-bodied men, down to Boston under a guard of some twenty of his rough and brutal soldiers; and sent down an insolent letter to the Council in account of his action. This high-handed breach of authority on the part of a mere captain stirred the indignation of the whole Court, but though they denounced his act in the assembly freely, so great was his popularity among the lower classes that it was not deemed expedient to reprimand him, or interfere with his command. The Indians were sent down to their countrymen at the Island, robbed and abused; and the captain went on his way unrebuked.

But the Corporation in London came to the aid of the friends of the Christian Indians, and their support greatly encouraged the better sentiment of the colony; for they not only sent supplies and money for the Indians, but letters came inquiring into



the treatment of the Christian Indians. When the popular cry was raised that the Indians at Deer Island should be transported out of the country or destroyed, the General Court presented a bold front, and by public proclamation declared these Christian Indians to be the allies and friends of the English by the olden treaty of 1643, made with their fathers, and never to this day broken by them or their children. This firmness did much to

enlighten and allay popular prejudice.

When Major Savage took command of the army to march to the West in March, 1675-6, he made one condition, that he should have a number of the Indians at Deer Island for guides. In pursuance of this arrangement, Major Gookin procured for him James Quanapolit, Job Kattenanit, James Speen, Andrew Pitimee, and William Ahaton. All these were men of tried courage and fidelity, and were greatly elated that they would now have a chance under Major Savage to prove their truth and worth. But when the troops were at Marlborough, Job was permitted to go forward towards Hassanamesit to meet his children in the place appointed by them, when he escaped; and it was hoped that those of his tribe who had come lately from the enemy could give later information; but when Capt. Mosely knew of this he made a great tumult, and so stirred up the violent spirits among the soldiers that a revolt was threatened, and it became necessary to send away after Job to bring him back, and Capts. Wadsworth and Syll rode after him with all speed with James Quanapolit as guide; but Job returned to the forces without meeting his friends, though they had been at the place appointed. These poor wanderers were taken, coming to the English camps, by some of Capt. Benj. Gibs's men shortly afterwards, and brought into camp with great ado as being a grand prize, but Major Savage found them to be Job's friends and received them civilly and sent them back to Marlborough, where they had to stop a night, and there they were beset by a mob of frantic English women, and so threatened and abused that four of them escaped in the night.

It will be remembered that many soldiers, and especially those of Capt. Mosely's "volunteer" company, were of the most reckless and disreputable class in the colony, and many of them used the occasion of public service as a cloak for any sort of crime. They robbed the defenceless Indians, and to hide their crime raised a storm of fear against them by their falschoods. At the same time they stirred up all the worst passions of the people, and through these sought to intimidate the Indians to escape, or provoke them to some act of resistance which would prevent their demanding back their stolen property. On this occasion at Marlborough, the soldiers had stripped the poor creatures of everything, and had even robbed the faithful Indian minister of the pewter communion cup given him by Mr. Eliot. The four



who had made their escape were Joseph Tuckapawillin's wife, who left an infant behind, in her panic; their son, a lad of twelve years, following with his mother; also another woman, a widow, who had cared for Job's children in their captivity, and her daughter. All these fugitives were brought in by Tom Dublet a week later, when he went into the woods to negotiate with the enemy for the return of prisoners. The lad died in the woods from hunger and exposure. These were sent down to Deer Island, where their companions had already been sent. Capt. Nicholas Paige entertained these poor Indians at his house in Boston, as they passed through the town on their way to the Island. He was a firm friend to the Christian Indians and a very independent man. Job afterwards married the woman who had so faithfully cared for his children in their captivity.

The six Indians who went as guides to the army acted their part with courage and fidelity, and were commended by Major Savage; while Mr. Nowell, the chaplain of the army in this

expedition, wrote of them:

I look at it as a great rebuke of God that we should miss our enemy as we did when we were at Menumesse. If we had harkened to those six Indians whom we took from Deer Island, we might have prevented that error. They have behaved themselves like sober honest men since they abode with us, which hath made me look after them more carefully.

The whole testimony of the better-minded tends to show that the chief cause of the great disappointment and disaster of this expedition was the fanatical prejudice and violent insubordination of Mosely and his adherents; and there is little doubt that if a company of the Indians at Deer Island had been raised (as Capt. Henchman, who was in charge of them, had often proposed, as he had found them ready and willing to serve), the campaign would have been far different in its event.

The six Indians were so insulted and abused by their enemies in the army, who taunted them with having been the cause of the defeat, etc., that they returned to the Island utterly discouraged; so that when a messenger was needed to go out to the enemy to treat for the return of Mrs. Rowlandson, not one could be found for a long time, until finally Tom Dublet, mentioned above, consented, and upon April 3d, 1676, went into the woods and returned on the 12th, bringing a letter of agreement from the enemy.

We have read, in chapter XX. above, that the "Council decided to raise and equip a company from these Christian Indians, placing them in command, of Capt. Hunting, to the number of

forty.

But when this number of able-bodied men were drawn forth from the Christian Indians, there were left upon Long Island,



whither they were now removed, some four hundred old men, women and children. After great suffering, and many efforts of their friends, these poor souls were brought up to Cambridge by the authority of the Court, and through the influence of the "Right Honorable Corporation" in London, which furnished the means through Major Gookin. Mr. Thomas Oliver, a good friend of these Indians, offered a commodious place upon his farm, not far from the Charles River, where they might find convenience of fishing, fuel and planting; and near by there was his large garrison-house to which they might easily retreat in any time of danger. The Punkapog Indians upon their removal from the Islands were settled at "Brush Hill" in Milton, under the care of Quarter-master Thomas Swift. The Indians at Mr. Oliver's remained through the Summer, but broke up into smaller companies after harvest for greater convenience, settling at Nonantum, Punkapog, Cowate (the fall of Charles River), Natick, Medfield, Concord, and Namkeake (near Chelmsford).

According to the official report of Major Daniel Gookin, presented to the Council, November 10, 1676, the Punkapog Indians, "residing about Milton, Dorchester and Brantree," were mostly employed among the English to cut cord-wood, etc. Their number was one hundred and seventy-five — thirty-five men and one

hundred and forty women and children.

The Naticks were divided into four companies. The first lived at Medfield, with James Rumneymarsh and his kindred, and numbered twenty-five, including five men. The second company were near Natick garrison-house, under the inspection of Andrew Dewin and his sons, who desired to live near them; their number was about fifty — ten men and forty others. The third company, with Waban, lived near the falls of the Charles River, near the house of Joseph Miller and not far from the home of Capt. Prentice, their number about sixty, of whom twelve were men. The fourth company dwelt at Nonantum Hill, near Lieut. Trowbridge and John Coones. A portion of this company were living at Muddy River, near John White's; and separate families near the houses of Mr. Thomas Oliver, Mr. Sparhawk, and Daniel Champney, and were employed by these gentlemen to cut wood and build stone walls, while the women were taught and then employed as spinners. This fourth company numbered about fifteen men and sixty women and children, in all seventy-five.

The Naticks, numbering thus some two hundred and ten, included the most of those who had not been scattered, by flight, to the hostile Indians, by being sold into service to individual families of the English, or by death, — who had formerly belonged in the villages of Hassanamesit, Magunkog, Marlborough, and Wamesit. At the time the report was made, nearly all the able-bodied men of the Naticks were with Capt. Hunting at the

Eastward.



The Nashobah or Concord Indians lived at Concord, and were under the direction of the military officers and Selectmen of the town; their number about fifty. The Pennacooks, and those who adhered to Wannalancet, lived at Dunstable, under the direction of Mr. Jonathan Tyng, and in his absence the care devolved upon Robert Parris. The number of these last was about sixty. A small company dwelt at Ipswich, under the town authorities.—their number was about twenty-five. Besides these there were separate families, living with the English, as servants. Mention is made of the families of a Mr. Gates of Watertown, Justinian Holden, Corporal Humand (Hammond?), and Wilson at Shawshin; and these numbered about forty souls.

Major Gookin estimated the whole number of Christian Indians at this time to be five hundred and ninety-seven, of whom one

hundred and seventeen were men.

Subsequently the scattered and ever dwindling companies were gathered at Natick, where an Indian church had been established, and an Indian town was regularly incorporated. The town was first laid out in 1651, and was governed by Indian officers under a committee chosen by the General Court. The descendants of Waban, the principal ruler at Natick at the first establishment, continued to be the chief officers of the town for two generations. The town remained nominally an Indian town until 1762, when it passed into the government of the English. The last of the Natick Indians died before the close of 1826.



XXVIII.

THE NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIPS, GRANTEES AND CLAIMANTS.

IT will be remembered that when, on December 10th, 1675. the forces of Massachusetts Colony were mustered on Dedham Plain, to march against the Narraganset fort, a proclamation was made to the soldiers, in the name of the Governor, that, "if they played the man, took the fort, and drove the enemy out of the Narraganset country, which is their great seat, they should have a gratuity of land, besides their wages." We find that after they had so valiantly performed the service, and the war was long past, the soldiers were not forgetful of their claim, nor the colony unmindful of its obligations.

On June 4th, 1685, the following petition was presented to the General Court, then in session at Boston. The body of the petition, which was for the grant of land which had been promised, is not given here, but only the names contained upon the

document:

Petition of those who were soldiers in Lynn, in the Nipmugg Country, and at the Narragansett Fort.

LYNN.

Wm. Basset,	John Lynzey,	Samuel Johnson,
Timothy Brade,	Andrew Townsend,	Jno. Farrington,
Robert Drivar,	Samuel Mowers,	Jonathan Look,
Phillip Kertland,	Samuel Graves,	John Richards,
Jno. Davis,	Daniel Goff,	Joseph Brade,
Robert Pottar, Sr.	Nathl. Ballard,	Joseph Collins,
John Edmunds,	Daniel Johnson,	Henry Rhoades,
John Haweks,	Joseph Mansfield,	,
Widdow Hathorn,	Samuel Tarbox,	
	READING.	
Jeremiah Swaine,	James Pike Junr.	James Nicolls,
Samuell Lambson,	Samuell Damon,	William Robbins,
	BEVERLY.	
Wm. Raymond,	John Raymond jr.	John Dodds jr.

Wm. Dodds ir.



SALEM VILLAGE.

Joseph Herrick, Thomas Raymond,

HINGHAM.

Samuel Linckhorne jr. Joshua Lazell, John Langor, John Bull,

Mass. Archives, vol. 112, p. 398.

To this petition the Court made the following answer:

In ans' to the petition of W^m Basset, Jn° Lynsey, Robert Porter, Sen', & twenty-two more inhabitants of Lyn, Jeremiah Swayne, Sam^l Damon, Sam^l Lambson, W^m Robbins, James Pyke Jun., James Nicholls of Reading, W^m Raymond & 5 more of Beverly, & Samuel Lyncolne & three more, of Hingham, as on y° peticon on file, the Court Judgeth it meet to grant the peticoners a tract of Land, in the Nipmug country, of eight miles square, for their encouragement & others that were serviceable to the country in the late Indian warr, to a competent number, who shall see meet to joyne themselves to them in order to the making of a plantation or township, provided it be laid out so as not to interfere with any former grants, & that an orthodox minister, on their settlement of thirty families, be settled within the space of fower yeares next coming.

Mass. Colonial Records, vol. V. p. 487.

There seems to have been little further action in regard to the settlement of this grant, and few of those entitled to land ever settled. The place was remote from the Massachusetts settlements, and the conditions demanded actual settlers in such numbers and with such limitations, as to prevent, rather than encourage, settlement. In the following years there were many interests nearer home; and it was not until nearly forty years had elapsed, that the interest in this old matter was revived. The colony of Massachusetts had then absorbed that of Plymouth, and together these constituted the "Province of Massachusetts Bay."

July 1, 1727, a petition of Samuel Chandler and Jacob Wright was presented to the General Court of the Province, in behalf of themselves and a great number of other persons, recalling the action of the General Court of the Colony, in 1685, "which grant was not pursued to effect," and now "for as much as the Petitioners were either personally present at the Fort and Fight at Narraganset, or descendants from those that were, or in the strictest alliance with them;" "therefore, praying that a Grant may be made them of such vacant Lands as may serve the Petitioners for Settlement, under such Restrictions & Limitations as this Court shall Judge fit."

In the House of Representatives, in answer, it was resolved, "that Major Thomas Tileston, Capt. John Alden, Mr. Edward



Shove, Mr. Samuel Healey, of Newton, and Mr. Samuel Chandler of Concord, be a Committee, fully authorized & impowered to survey and lay out the Contents of eight Miles square in some of the unappropriated lands of this Province, and that the said lands be granted and disposed of to the Persons (whether officers or soldiers) belonging to this Province, who were in the service of their Country in the said Narraganset War, or to their legal Representatives, as a Reward for their publick Services, and is in full satisfaction for the Grant formerly made them by the Great and General Court."

It was also voted that the Committee "give public notice in the News Letter or otherwise, six months, at least, before their meeting, when and where they intend to meet, so that every Officer and soldier, who served in the said War or the lawful Representatives of such as served and since deceased, may have an opportunity to enlist their Names with the said Committee,"

etc.

When the Committee have completed the lists, the Grantees are to meet "as soon as may be and select a committee to regulate

the affairs of the Propriety."

The Grantees are to be obliged "to settle sixty families thereon, with a learned Orthodox Minister within the space of seven years." Failing to fulfil these conditions the grantees forfeit all their

rights under this grant.

When the enlisting had proceeded some time, it was found that the number of claimants was much larger than at first supposed, so that the committee was instructed to lay out "two Tracts of lands for Townships of the contents of six miles square," etc. The same conditions were imposed as in the first order.

The next year, May 29th, 1728, an order was passed that public notices be posted in every town in the province, as well as given in the News Letter. The following is the notice posted in the

towns:

These may certify to whom it may concern.

That the General Assembly of this Province, at their Session begun and held the 29th. of May 1728, passed a Resolve for granting two Tracts for Townships of the contents of Six Miles square each, to the persons, whether Oilleers or soldiers, belonging to this Province, who were in the service of their country in the Narraganset War; And all such Officers and Soldiers now surviving, and the legal representatives of those that are deceased, are desired to give or send into the Secretaries office Lists of their Names and Descents, to be laid before the General Court at their next Fall Session.

J. WILLARD, Secr.

Mass. Archives, vol. 72, p. 367.

The committee appointed by the General Court, viz.: John Chandler, jr., Edward Shove, and John Hobson, assisted by Mr.



Jonas Houghton, surveyor; with John Bennett, Joseph Wheelock, John Goss, and Stephen Mighill, chainmen, all sworn by Mr. Justice Wilder, laid out and presented a plan of the two Townships. The first was laid out "adjoining the towns of Rutland and Lunenburgh additional grants, and elsewhere adjoining the Province Land," and containing about 23,286 acres. This was Narraganset No. 2, or Wachuset; incorporated as Westminster, April 26, 1770. The second township was laid out on the south side of Souhegan River, the east boundary being about four or five miles from the Merrimac River, westward, containing 24,457, which is 1,417 acres more than the contents of six miles square, but which the committee think ought to be allowed to make up for ponds, etc.

This township became Narraganset No. 3, or "Souhegan West," and was under Massachusetts Government until 1741, when, by the adjustment of the line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, it was found to fall within the limits of the latter

province. It became the town of Amherst, N.H.

April 11, 1729. A committee was appointed by the Court to examine and decide upon the lists of grantees or claimants; and reported the following December 20th. And the Court then accepted the report, and ordered "that the said Claimers or Grantees meet at Boston, if the small Pox be not there; If it be, then at Cambridge, on the first Wednesday of June next ensuing." The small-pox was in Boston at the time set. It was found that the lists were growing larger, but that the claimants were so widely scattered, that much confusion would result without further time and more accurate investigation. The time of meeting was extended to the "next Fall Session."

At that session of the Court, December 30, 1730, a petition was presented by Thomas Tileston and others as a committee on behalf of the grantees and claimants, showing that the lists of the grantees was now so large, that the land already granted would give to each, such small portion, that there would be no object in settling the lots; and praying that the grant be enlarged, and a longer time allowed in which to investigate and adjust claims.

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In answer to this petition, the House of Representatives voted to grant an extension of time, and to grant "to each one hundred and twenty claimants, a township of the contents of six miles square," under the above mentioned limitations and conditions.

The Council did not concur with this vote, nor in a similar vote passed in the House upon a petition, the following February, but insisted that the lands already granted in the two townships, was sufficient.

The matter continued thus in disagreement between the two branches, until January 19, 1731, when the House sent up to the



Council a very outspoken, earnest and eloquent message, in behalf of the grantees, which, even at its full length, deserves a place here.

A Message from the House of Representatives of the General Court of the Province of Massachusetts Buy, advocating a liberal answer to the petition of the Narraganset Soldiers and their descendants.

In the House of Representatives Ordered, that the following message be sent up to the Honorable Board. Viz. Whereas, There have been several Endeavours, to accommodate the Narrhaganset Soldiers and their Descendants with a sutable quantity of Land for their Settlement as an acknowledgment & Reward of their great Service to this Country which have hitherto failed of the desired Success: This House have thought it might tend to promote a good understanding & Harmony in this Court to lay before the Honorable Board, Wherefore it is resolved that the Representatives have come into the Grant of a tract of Six miles square to Each number of One hundred & Twenty persons which they have made this Session in answer to the Petition of Thomas Tilestone & others a Committee in behalf of themselves & the rest of the Soldiers & their Descendants, who were in the Narraganset War. And one great Reason is that there was a Proclamation made to the Army in the name of the Government (as living Evidences very fully testify) when they were mustered on Dedham Plain where they began their March, that if they played the man, took the Fort & Drove the Enemy out of the Narraganset Country, which was their great Seat, that they should have a gratuity in Land besides their Wages; and it is well known, & our Sitting to hear this petition is an Evidence that this was done; and as the Conditions have been performed, certainly the promise in all Equity & Justice ought to be fulfilled; and if We Consider the Difficulties these brave men went through in Storming the Fort in the Depth of Winter, & the pinching wants they afterwards underwent in pursuing the Indians that escaped through a hideous Wilderness famously known throughout New England to this day by the Name of the hungry March; and if we further Consider that until this brave though small army thus played the Man, the whole Country was filled with Distress & fear, & We trembled in this Capital Boston itself & that to the Goodness of God to this army We owe our Fathers & our own Safety & Estates, We cannot but think that those Instruments of Our Deliverance & Safety ought to be not only justly but also gratefully & generously rewarded & even with much more than they prayed for, If we measure what they receive from us, by what we enjoy and have received from them.

We need not mention to the Honorable Board the Wisdom Justice and Generosity of Our Mother Country & of the ancient Romans, on such Occasions, Triumph, Orations, Hereditary Honors & privileges all the Riches, Lands & Spoils of War and conquered Countrys have not been thought to great for those to whom they have not owed more if so much as We do to those our Deliverers: & We ought further to observe what greatly adds to their merit that they were not Vagabonds & Beggars & Outcasts, of which Armies are sometimes considerably made up, who run the Hasards of War to Avoid the Danger



of Starving: so far from this that these were some of the best of Our men, the Fathers & Sons of some of the greatest & best of Our families and could have no other View but to Serve the Country & whom God was pleased accordingly in every remarkable manner to Honour & Succeed. Of these things the Honorable the General Court of the Late Colony of the Massachusetts in those days was not insensible & accordingly gave to the Soldiers being upward of Five Hundred. about Two Thirds of the Army that went from the Massachusetts, & the late Colony of Plimouth a Tract of about forty thousand acres in the Nipmug Country, this or the value of it these Soldiers would be contented with & take in their Brethren of Plimouth too, tho' that should take away two thirds of what was granted them & would after that have more in value than what they now ask for in all, for every one own that 40000 acres in the Heart of the Country as the Nipmug Country is, is of more Value than five times that quantity remote in the Borders & in Danger if there should be a french War, as is and would be the Case with all the unappropriated Lands of the province, which

they now ask for.

It is hoped that the neglect of these petitioners so long or the provinces having disposed of the Nipmug Country to others and so defeated their ancient Grants will not be thought to wear out any more than it rewards their merit. The Grant seems to be made in acknowledgment both of their promise & of their fulfilling the Condition and being well entitled to it, & there is great Reason to fear that publick Guilt would ly upon the Country if we should neglect and continue in the Breach of the promise after it has been made & omitted for above fifty years. As to the late Grant of two Townships to Seven or Eight hundred of these Soldiers; It is so far below the Value of the Land they Conquered, & the Price the province had for it when it was sold, & the money divided to Colonies that carried on the War: It is such a Pittance of what they obtain for us, so exceedingly beneath what the province has defeated them of which was granted to about Two thirds of them in the Nipmug Country, that it is rather mocking and deriding them to offer it. Beyond what has been offered it should be Considered to Grant the present, and give such a quantity of Land as may be worth Settling, & upon Conditions of bringing forward Townships, is much more agreeable to Charter & for the Public Good than to Give away Tracts of Land & suffer & even tempt men to let them ly waste & unimproved, for in the way that has been proposed & in which some Progress has been made, the Lands will be divided into such scraps that they will not be worth receiving.

Mass. Court Records, January 19th, 1731.

This message accompanied the renewed petition of Thomas Tileston and others, for the soldiers, upon which action had already been taken by the House, and it was now sent up again to the Council for concurrence, and there finally received favorable action June 9, 1732. Definite action was taken, and it was voted by both branches that every hundred and twenty of those grantees enrolled whose claims have been allowed shall have a



township of six miles square under the conditions formerly

stated

The work of gathering the lists of names, and adjusting the claims was no light task, as appears from the references in the Court Records. There was much confusion in the minds of the people as to the proper method of application, and many of the heirs made application in their own names while the soldier was still alive.

Finally, April 26, 1733, a list of eight hundred and forty grantees was presented and accepted, and it was voted to grant the seven townships necessary to satisfy the demands of this number

of grantees.

The grantees were divided into "Proprieties" or companies, according to their present residences, if alive, or their heirs, lawfully claiming. The eldest male heir had the first right, and after him the eldest female heir.

The grantees were ordered to meet as they should be classified,

and choose committees to regulate each Township.

On February 11, 1733-4, plans were presented by the Committee of the General Court of two Townships, lying between the Saco and Pesumpscot Rivers, contiguous to each other; each of the contents of six miles square, with allowances for ponds and previous grants to Hill and Tyng. The township next to the Saco was assigned to the "Ipswich Society," so called, which was made up of the grantee residents of Ipswich, Newbury, Rowley, Haverhill, Salisbury, Amesbury, Methuen, Hampton, Greenland, and Berwick. In June, 1732, at a meeting in Boston, they had chosen Philemon Dane and John Gains of Ipswich, and Col. Joseph Gerrish of Newbury, as a committee to regulate the business of this township, which became No. 1.

The following list is alphabetically arranged (initials only) from the lists in the Proprietor's Record Book, as published in the excellent volume of Capt. Wm. F. Goodwin, entitled "Nar-

raganset Township, No. 1."

Different committees had different methods of keeping their records, and since the original list, returned by the Committee to the General Court, was partially lost, the greater part of it, indeed, it has been necessary to gather the lists mostly from the old Township Record-Books. In this Record-Book of No. 1, there are two lists, but the grantees are identical in both, while the two lists represent the first and second divisions of lots, the claimant being different, in some cases, in the two. In such cases I have arranged both claimants, and sometimes three, under the one grantee. Where any relationship is mentioned, I have carried the fact into the space after claimant's name. I have indicated the fact that a new name occurs in the second list, by the mark (2).



GRANTEES AND CLAIMANTS OF NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP NO. 1, NOW THE TOWN OF BUXTON, ME.

Soldier Grantees.				Claimants.
Allin, Richard				∫ Samuel Allin.
Zimii inchara .	·	•		Joseph Titcomb (2).
Andrews, John				Jona. Fellows.
•				Eben Hidden (2). (Capt. John Fowl (2).
Adams, Simon				Daniel Adams.
				(Nicholas Cheany.
Asa (Acy), John				Joseph Hale.
				Moses Hale.
Appleton, Saml., Major				Isaac Appleton, jr.
Allin, William				∫ Benjamin Morrill.
Zimi, William	•	•	•	Elisha Allin (2).
Brocklebanck, Saml., Ca	pt.			Stephen Mighill.
	-			John Hobson.
Brown, Thomas	•	•	•	Abraham Somerby (2).
Brown, John ("of Hav	erhi	ill "),	Rev ^d . Jedediah Jewett.
Brown, Joseph				John Fowle, jr.
Brown, William	٠	+	•	Richard Dole.
Boynton, John	٠	•	•	Israel Read.
Brown, Gershom				James Chute. George Thirlo.
Brown, John				John Brown, son.
Brown, Edmund				Enoch Titcomb.
Baker, John				Aaron Potter (2).
Burnom, James				John Baker, grandson. Thomas Burnom, son.
	•	•		Stephen Hidden.
Brier, Richard	٠	٠	•	Samuel Clark.
Bodwell, Henry				Henry Bodwell.
•	•	•	•	Samuel Chase (2).
Boynton, Joshua	•	٠	٠	W ^m . Boynton, son.
Bartlet, Christopher .				Christopher, son. Joseph Peasley (2).
				(boseph reasity (r).
				(Nath ¹ . Clark
Clark, Jonathan		٠		Caleb Moody, jr. (2).
Chase, Moses				(Edmund Greenleaf (2).
0 (1	٠	•	•	Sam¹. Chase, son. William Cross, son.
	•	•	•	Timothy Curriour, son.
Curriour, Richard	٠	٠	٠	Daniel Currier (2).
Cogswell, Edward				Emerson Cogswell.
Coleut, Edward				John Fowle, jr.
				Obadiah Johnson (2).

¹ This list is confirmed by an original list, found among the papers of Rev. Paul Coffin.



Soldier G	rant	ees.				Claimants.
Down, Robert .						Solomon Lakeman.
Dane, Philemon .						(Capt. John Fowle (2). Philemon Dane, son.
Durell, Moses .						Nath. Durell, son.
Davis, Zechariah						Capt. John Greenleaf, jr. John Bartlet, jr.
Dow, Thomas .						f Ephraim Dow, son.
Denison, John .						Nathan Simons (2). John Denison, son.
Davis, John						Jonathan Davis, son.
Davis, Cornelius						${ John Crescey. } W^{m}$. Bosell (2).
Elsley, William . Elsley (Ilsley), Isa	nae					Capt. W ^m . Elsley. Capt. W ^m . Elsley, son.
Easmon, Thomas						{ Jonathan Easmon, son. Nathan Simons (2).
Emerson, Nath.						Stephen Emerson, son. John Thurston (2).
Emery, Jonathan						{ John Emery, son. } Stephen Emery (2).
Emons, Peter .						Gershom Frazer. Stephen Smith.
Fuller, James .						James Fuller, son.
Fellows, Isaac . Fellows, Joseph .	٠			:	•	Jonathan Fellows, son. Joseph Fellows, son.
renows, boseph.	•	•	•	•	•	
George, James .			•			Francis George. James George (2).
Greenleaf, Stephen Gody (Goddin), A						Capt. John Greenleaf, jr. Stephen Emerson.
Giddins, John .						Solomon Giddins, son. John Fowl (2).
Gallaway, Hugh						Gershom Fraizer. Moses Titcomb (2).
Herin, John						Jona, Fellows.
Harvey, John .						John Harvey, son.
Hobson, John Hutchinson, Sam ¹ .	٠	•	٠	•	•	John Hobson, son.
		٠	•	•	•	Sam¹. Mugrige. (John Harvey.
Hadley, Sam ¹	٠	٠	٠	•	٠	Joseph Bailey (2).
Hill, Sam¹	•	•		•	٠	{ John Corser. Abraham Adams (2).
Ingals, Sam¹						Samuel Ingals, grandson.
Jackson, John .						W ^m . Foster. John Foster (2). Asa Foster (2).
Jackson, Caleb .						Joshua Jackson, son.
Jacobs, Richard . Jewett, Joseph .	•			٠		Philip Fowler.
oonett, oosepu .	٠	•	٠	٠		Mr. Jon ^a . Jewett, son.



Caldian Countries				Claimants.
Kimbal, Henry Kimbal, Caleb Kinsmon, Robert				James Godfrey. Samuel Hovey. Joseph Kinsmon, son.
Keene, Nath ¹				Joseph Coffin. Francis Pickard. Mr. Aquila Jewett.
Kneeland, Sam¹		•		Francis Pickard. [John Pemberton (2).
Knowlton, Wm				Moses Mitchel. Israel Read (2).
Kingsbury, Thomas .				Deacon Joseph Kingsbury.
Kennistone, Christopher				Ebenezer Smith. Ezekiel Mighill (2).
Laighton, John Low, Thomas Little, Moses Lad, Daniel Lovel, John				John Laighton, son. Jon ^a . Low. Col. Joseph Gerish. Nathan Simons. Alexander Lovel.
Musgro, Jabez				Joseph Gerish, Esq.
Moors, Jona, Lieut				Daniel Hale (2). Sam¹. Walker.
Mitchell, John				{ Mary Mitchell, dau. Ambros Berrey (2). John Martin, son. Joseph Bailey (2). Timothy Davis (2).
Newman, Benjamin . Newmarch, Zaccheus .				{ John Brown. { Mr. Daniel Hale (2). John, son.
Poore, Sam¹				Stephen Emery ^{3d} . Richard Dole. Joseph Peasley (2).
Parson, Benjamin Plummer, Joseph Poore, Henry Pickard, John Palmer, Thomas	•			Bartholomew Pearson. John Plummer, gr. grandson. Samuel Poore, son. Jon ^a . Pickard, grandson. Timothy Palmer, son.
Parse (Peirce), Saml				{ Ephraim Fitts. { Isaac Appleton (2).
Potter, Edmund				Nath ¹ . Potter.
Ring, Daniel, Capt. Richardson, Caleb Rogers, Thomas			:	Capt. Tho*. Standford. Thomas Gellins (Jillings). Thomas Bartlet, Jr. Thomas Rogers (2). Roulis Rollins
Rollins, Nicholas				Benj ^a . Rollins. Ebenezer Watson.
Richardson, Nicholas				(John Brooks (2). Isaac Appleton.



Soldier Grantees		•	
Ruff, Daniel			
·			
Rose, Joseph	•	•	٠
Rolf, Daniel			
Sumersby, Daniel			
•			
. ,	•	•	•
Stimson, George	•	•	•
Spofford, John			
Sawyer, William			
		•	•
Smith, Thomas	٠	٠	•
Sadler, Abiel	٠	•	•
Swan, Robert			
Ctoron Coth			
Storer, Seth		•	٠
Swan, Rich ⁴	٠	•	۰
Sparks, Thomas		_	
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Stickney, John			
•	•	•	-
Sheapard, John			•
Tenny, Daniel			
Tarbot, Nicholas			
Tenney, Thomas	٠	٠	٠
Thurston, Daniel			
	٠	•	•
Taylor, Sam¹		•	
Verey, Sami			
Verey, Benjamin Verey, Jonathan	•	•	٠
verey, Jonathan	•	•	٠
Williams, John			
Woodin, John	٠		
Woodward, Ezekiel . Wait, Thomas	•	٠	•
man, inomas		•	•
Young, Francis			
roung, Francis	٠	•	•



NARRAGANSET NO. 2, NOW WESTMINSTER, MASS.

At a meeting of the several committees of the seven companies, held, October 17, 1733, at the house of Mr. Luke Verdey, in Boston, before the drawing of lots, for choice of townships, it was voted that whatever company should happen to draw the Township No. 2, at Wachuset, should lay out and assign to his Excellency, Jonathan Belcher, Esqr., five hundred acres of land in said town for his honored father's right.

No. 2 was evidently considered the most desirable of the townships, as it was nearest to Boston and had already been somewhat improved, being one of the two assigned in 1728. Hence the concession above. The township was drawn by Mr. James Lowden and Company, representing the grantees from the towns of Cambridge, Charlestown, Watertown, Weston, Sudbury, New-

ton, Medford, Malden and Reading.

Soldier Grantees.

James Cheaver . .

The committee for this company was John Cutting, of Watertown, James Lowden, of Charlestown, and Joseph Bowman, of Watertown. In the original records of this company the names are arranged in the lists under different towns. I have varied the original arrangement a little, in order to save repetitions, and so as to put the "Soldier Grantee's" name first. For instance, instead of "Downing Champney for his father Sam"," I have placed the grantee first, the claimant second, and the relationship last. The following is the list:

A LIST OF THE GRANTEES OF THE NARRAGANSET TOWN-SHIP NO. 2.

Claimants.

. . Daniel Cheaver, nephew.

CAMBRIDGE.

William Russell, alive. Gershom Cutter, alive. Joseph Beames Joseph Beames, son. Capt. (Jona) Remington . Jonathan, son. Saml. Champney . Downing Champney, son. Thomas Bathrick . Jonathan, son. John Barrel . . Peter Hay, Bro.-in-law. William Gleason . . . William, son. John Smith Heirs. Saml. Smith Saml. Smith, nephew. Joseph Smith. Heirs. Nathaniel Smith . Heirs. Thomas Brown Heirs. Simon Gates Jonathan, son. John Willington . . . Thomas, nephew. . Wm. Brattle, gr. son. Thomas Brattle . .



CHARLESTOWN.

Soldier Grantees.		Claimants.
James Lowden, alive.		
Samuel Read, alive.		
Henry Sumers alive.		
John Fosket	Robe	ert, son.
	Thor	nas Skinner, nephew.
Isaac Lewis	. Sami	uel, son.
Saml. Newell	. Saml	. Long, nephew.
Joseph Dowse	Marc	gery, daughter.
Benjamin Lathron	Nath	d. Goodwin, nephew.
Joseph Dowse Benjamin Lathrop James Smith's heir	Jona	than Call.
Joseph Pratt	Heir	
Joseph Pratt	Heir	
William Punt	Heir	
Tooch Cole	Heir	S.
Jacob Cole	Hens	5.
John Mousiey (Mousail) .	. Heir	3.
Humphrey Miller	. Heirs	S.
William Burt	. Heirs	3.
John Trumbul	. Heirs	3.
Alexander Philips	. Heirs	3.
George Mudge	. Heirs	3.
John Shepherd	Heirs	5 a
Thomas Welch	Heirs	S.
George Mudge John Shepherd Thomas Welch George Grind	Heirs	5 .
Joseph Lind	Heirs	3.
Joseph Lind	Heirs	3.
(Jonathan) Kittle	Jame	es, son.
Thomas Genner (Jenner)	Heirs	3.
Matthew Griffin	John	, heir.
John Breed	Eber	ezer, son.
Hopestill Davis	Zech	ariah, pephew.
Jonathan Sprague	. John	. son.
Edward Johnson	Eleze	er. son.
Edward Johnson John Senter	. John	son.
COM SCHOOL		, 5011.
	WATERTOWY	ž
Thomas Sawen		
Ephraim Cutler, alive.	John	, son.
James Cutting	Iono	a aan
	Jona	s, son.
John Barnard, alive.		
Joshua Biglow, alive.		
William Shattuck, alive.		,
Joseph Grout	. Josej	on, son.
Jonathan Smith	· . Zech	ariah, son.
Joseph Grout Jonathan Smith John Hager George Herrington	. Sami	iel, nephew.
George Herrington	Heir	3.
John Herrington, alive.		
Dr. (Palgrave) Willington	Heirs	š.
Zachariah Cutting, alive.		
John Bright	John	, nephew.



Soldier Grantees. Claimanta William Parmeter . . George, son. Jacob Bullard . Joseph Ball, nephew. Tho. Herrington, son-in-law. Timothy Rice. . John Sherman John, nephew. James Barnard . Joseph Bowman, niece's husband. Joseph Smith Joseph, son. Elnathan Beirs Richard, son. Michael Flag . . . Heirs. John Barnard Joseph Bowman, son-in-law. John Cutting John, son. Joseph Preist. Joseph, son. Benjamin Willington Heirs. WESTON. Caleb Grant . . .

Caleb Grant . . . Ebenezer Boynton, son-in-law.
Thomas Cory . . . Thomas, son.
Daniel Warren, alive.
James Pike . . . Onesiphorus, son.
Jeremiah Norcross . . . Nathaniel Norcross.

SUDBURY.

. Richard, son.

Sebred Taylor Thomas, son.

John Marston, alive.

John Parkhurst John, son.

Dennis Hedley, alive.

John Adams, alive.

Joseph Parmeter Benjamin, brother.

Thomas Rutter Joseph, son.

Joseph Graves Ebenezer, son.

Joseph More John, son.

Matthew Gibbs, alive. Thomas Taylor . . .

Seborn Jackson

NEWTON.

. Edward, son.

Nathaniel Haly, alive.
Richard Beach Isaac, brother.
Stephen Cook, alive.
John Park John, son.
Jacob Willard . . . Jonathan, son.
Capt. Thomas Prentice, Heirs.

MEDFORD.

Capt. (Joseph) Scill . . . John Hall, son-in-law. John Whitmore John, son.
Thomas Willis William, son.



Soldier Grantees. Claimanta John Mudge, alive.

Phineas Upham Sam'l Kneeland, "asine."

Abraham Skinner Abraham, son. James Cheak Heirs.

John Winslow John, son.

John Bacheler . . Wm. Willis, "for the heirs."

REDING.

Jonathan Parker Nathl., nephew. Edmon Brown Richard, nephew.

Thomas Nichols, alive. Major (Jeremiah) Swain . . Heirs. Isaac Welman Heirs. Beniamin Davis Heirs. Samuel Lamson Samuel, son. Thomas Hodgman Heirs. Phinehas Upham Richard, son.

William Jones . Samuel Chandler.

The original list from which I copied the above is signed by "Andrew Darby, Proprietor's Clark." The Company held their first meeting in Cambridge, December 20, 1633, and increased the committee to five persons by the addition of Ebenezer Breed and Samuel Trumbull, to those already named. There are, in the above list, 118 names. Phineas Upham appears twice. I think John Barnard, then alive, was the son of John, for whom Cant. Bowman drew in the right of his wife. Much more matter of interest may be found in the excellent "History of Westminster," by Rev. Wm. S. Heywood.

NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP NO. 3, AMHERST, N.H.

The second of the two townships granted in 1728 became No. 3, "Souhegan West," in the later division; and was drawn to the grantees represented in the towns of Salem, Lynn, Marblehead, Gloucester, Andover, Topsfield, Beverly, Wenham, Boxford, Bradford, Scarborough, York, Falmouth, Chatham.

The committee chosen to manage the propriety were: Richard Mower, of Lynn; John Trask, Salem; and Ebenezer Rayment. This township was incorporated as Amherst, N.H., and originally embraced parts of the present towns of Merrimack, Mt. Vernon, and Milford, N.H. An excellent history of this town, by D. F. Secomb, was published in 1883.



LIST OF GRANTEES, HEIRS, AND LATER PROPRIETORS OF NARRAGANSET NO. 3, SOUHEGAN WEST; NOW AMHERST, N.H.

SALEM.

Soldier Grantee.	Claimant.	By whom drawn.
Andrew Gold	Robert, son. Ezekiel Marsh, son- in-law.	
	William, son.	
John Ross	Jonathan Marsh, son- in-law	By Jonathan Marsh's order.
Joseph Holton Thomas Flynt Samuel Pickworth William Curtice William Trask Thomas Bell Jonathan Lambert William Osborn John Bullock Jeremiah Neal John Gloyd	John, son	John Felton. Ebenezer Fowl. George Deland. Benjamin Ives. William Curtice. John Trask. Samuel Bell. Ephraim Ingalls. William Osborn.
Thomas Kenney Edward Hollice Richard Prince	Heirs	Benjamin Ives.

MARELEHEAD.

William Hinds David Shaply John Walcot	Richard, son	Sold to Obid Abot. Jacob Symonds Jabez Crocker.	for
Joseph Majory Dr. (Richard) Knott,	Joseph, son Thomas Martin.		
Stephen Sweat John Gatchell	Joseph, brother .	Joseph Sweat. Jeremiah Gatchell.	



LYNN

			211111	
			Alive Alive	By Whom drawn. By Henry Collins' order. By Jacob Newhall, now Henr. Adams.
	Thomas Baker . William Bassett .	•	Alive William Bassett, gr. son.	By Thomas Baker.
	John Burrill	: : !	Richard Johnson, son, William, son Ebenezer, brother . Benjamin, son Joseph Farr, son-in-	Richard Johnson. William (Dec.11,1739). Ebenezer Burrill, Esq. Benjamin Potter.
	Aquilla Ramsdell		law Benjamin, son	By said Farr's order. Due to proprietors 2– 10–0, besides the vote for 6s., towards the Meeting house.
	Robert Driver .		Ruth Driver, daugh-	8
	Enhacias Formari		ter	Capt. Potter.
	Ephraim Farrow .	٠	Samuel Newhall, nephew	Benjamin Newhall.
	John Ballard		John, son	John Ballard.
	John Mower		Richard, son	Richard Mower.
	Samuel Graves .		Samuel, son	
	Samuel Edmonds.	٠		John Jenks.
	John Farrington .	•	John, son.	
	John Davis	•	Michael Bowden, son-	Mishaal Damilan
	Dand		in-law Robert Rand, son.	Michael Bowden.
,	Joseph Farr	•	Joseph Farr, son .	By his order.
	John Lewis	•	Edmund, gr. son .	By Edmund Lewis.
	Samuel Tarbox .		Heirs	Thomas Tarbox.
	Johnson		Jonathan Johnson .	By Jonathan Johnson.
	Joseph Barrell .		Ebenezer Barrell,	By same (E. Marsh-
	m: 41 m .1		gr. son	field).
	Timothy Breed .	•	Timothy, son	Same, Timothy Breed.
	Andrew Townsend Richard Haven	:	Heirs Joseph, son.	Nathaniel Evins.
		•	o oseph, sour	
3	(04,0		GLOUCESTER.	
	Henry Row		Jacob Row, son	
	Samuel Ingersoll.			Josiah Ingersoll.
	Edward Harringdon		Alive	Joseph Harringdon.
	John Day			Joshua Hicks.
	Isaac Ellery	,	Samuel Stevens.	
			ANDOVER.	
	Samuel Tyler		Ebenezer, son	James Parker.
	James Fry		Alive	Joseph Parker.
	Nathaniel Ballard		William, son	Same, William Ballard.



Soldier Grantee. John Presson John Ballard Ebenezer Barker Andrew Peters John Parker Samuel Phelps	Alive Andrew, son	Edward Phelps. Andrew Peters. John Parker.
	TOPSFIELD.	
Zaccheus Perkins Nathaniel Wood Abraham Fitts Thomas Davis	Alive Heirs	By T. Perkins. John Wilds. Abraham Fitts. (Bought at vendue, by Capt. Stephen Peabody.)
Elihu Wardwell John Huchins Josiah Clark James Ford Samuel Perkins Joseph Wells Jonathan Wild Robert Brown	Heirs Heirs	Nathan Armes. John Wilds. Deacon Fellows. Elezer Porter.
	BEVERLY.	
Thomas Rayment . Ralph Elinwood	Alive. (Alive)Alive. Alive. Alive Thomas, son	Joshua Conant. Robert Hale.
Joseph Morgan	Joseph, son	July 17, 1739.
William Dodge John Dodge Jonathan Byels William Rayment .	Heirs	Jona. and John Dodge. Ebenezer Rayment.
Elias Picket Samuel Harris	Joseph, son.	Ebenezer Elingwood.
•	WENHAM.	
Thomas Abbet Richard Hutton	Thomas, son. Elizabeth Fowler, daughter John Bacheler, nephev William Rogers and Joseph Perkins.	



BOXFORD.

Francis Jefferys Robert Andrews	John, son	
John Boynton	BRADFORD. Ichabod, son	By John Bixbe. Sold Hobbs for £60. at vendue, October 18: 1743.
	SCARBOROUGH.	
John Harmon 1	Alive	Thomas Stocker, junr.
	READING.	
John Bowtel Nicholas Lum (Lunn),	John, son Thomas Bancroft.	Samuel Lampson.
	YORK.	
Andrew Sargent		Capt. Joshua Hicks.
	FALMOUTH.	
Joseph Hatch Philip Dexter		
	CHATHAM.	
Robert Nicholson .	Robert, son.	
	SALEM.	•
Nicholas Manning .	Samuel Manning,	
Timothy Lufkin	nephew	By said S. M. Samuel Manning.

A Committee for Adjusting Claims, gives the Rights drawn to and entered in the name of

Robert Hucherson to Joseph Hucherson.

John Dodges Heirs belongs to Jonathan Dodge.

Thomas Blachfield's " "Henry Blachfield.

Jonathan Wilds' " John Wild.

¹ It may be of interest to note here that it was in a search after this John Harmon, a maternal antestor, that the writer of this volume discovered the Treasury Books of John Hull, the contents of which became the basis of the "Soldiers in King Philip's War."



NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP NO. 4, NOW GREENWICH, MASS.

The last "plat," or plan of the townships to be laid out and presented to the Court for confirmation, was No. 4. This was located at Amoskeag Falls, and embraced what is now Goffstown, N.H. With allowances for poor land, ponds, and fifty aeres for a fishing-place, at the Falls, it contained 26,160 acres. Mr. Edward Shove, Mr. Josiah Keith, and Col. John Chandler were chosen a committee to manage the affairs of this township.

December 16, 1735, a petition of John Foster and Edward Shove, in behalf of the grantees of No. 4, declares that, upon viewing the grant in order to lay out their lots, "they found it so poor and barren, as to be altogether uncapable of making settlements; and therefore pray that they may have liberty to quit it

and take up the Said Grant in some other province land."

This petition was granted, and the petitioners were ordered to locate another tract in some unoccupied section, and return a

plot of the same to the Court within twelve months.

The report of location and survey was made December 5, 1737, Nathaniel Kellogg being the surveyor, who reported the plot to contain 23,040 acres, exclusive of 600 acres previously laid out to one Colman. This grant, thus located and surveyed, was confirmed by the Court January 13, 1738. Next year the committee return again, petitioning for 3,500 acres more (to make up for ponds, and a tract belonging to Mr. Starr), which land lies on their North line, between Hatfield and a place called Huntstown. June 17, 1740, this propriety was granted an extension of two years to their time of settlement. Again, June 12, 1753, Samuel Robinson, of Hardwick, for "himself and the rest of the proprietors of Narraganset No. 4, Lying part at a place called Quabbin, and part west of and adjoining Hatfield," etc., petitioned the Court to reëstablish and confirm the grant of the 3,500 acres, made in 1740, as the Acts of the Court, including this grant, were destroyed when the Court-house was burned, (December 9, 1747).

The old Proprietors' Record-Book in the town clerk's office at Greenwich is in a fair state of preservation, but the writing, in this list of grantees, is very hard to decipher. I spent some hours over it with the assistance of the gentlemanly town clerk, Mr. H. B. Hodgkin, and I think the following is as accurate as it can now be made. The names and places noted with a star (*)

are in doubt.



NARRAGANSET NO. 4, NOW GREENWICH, MASS.

NORTHAMPTON.

Claimant. Soldier Grantee. . . John, brother. Daniel Alexander Samuel, brother. Samuel Judd

HADLEY.

Thomas Hovey, alive.

SUFFIELD.

John Pengally, alive. Samuel Lain

. . Samuel, son.

ENFIELD.

William Ramsdell, alive.

DEERFIELD.

Richd, Childs . . . Sam' and Timothy, sons.

WORCESTER.

Bartholomew Flagg . . . Benjamin, brother.

WOODSTOCK.

James Hudson Sarah Mercy, daughter.

Nathaniel Sanger, alive.

Henry Bowen

Joseph Lyon Joseph, son.
Capt. Isaac Johnson . . . Joseph, grandson. Joseph Carpenter Eliphalet, son. . . Henry, grandson.

OXFORD.

Joseph Chamberlain . . . Joseph, son.

Abiell Lamb Abiell, son.

BROOKFIELD.

Edward Walker, alive.

MANSFIELD.

. . Isaac, son. John Dunham . . .

Benjamin Hall, alive.

Shuball Dimmock, alive.

NORWICH.

Thomas Hazen, alive. Daniel Wicomb Daniel, son.

Israell Hendrick Israell, son.

David Hartshorn, alive. John Hartshorn, alive.



POMFRET.

Claimant. Soldier Grantee.

Samuel Taylor, alive.

Jeremiah, nephew.

Jeremiah Sabin . .

Fenwick, son.

Fenwick Sawyer

John Corbin . . .

Nath!. Sessions, son-in-law.

WINDHAM.

Jeremiah Ripley . . .

Joshua, son.

Ephraim Beamass, alive.

BRISTOL.

John Bozorth

John, son.

TAUNTON.

John Spurr, alive.

John Thresher, alive. Malachi Holloway, alive.

William Hopkins, alive.

Thomas, son. John Maccomber

Ebenezer Owen .

John Woodward, son-in-law.1

Joseph White . Samuel Mirick . Joseph, son. Samuel, son.

Jacob Hathaway

Heirs.

James Bell . .

Heirs.

SWANZY.

John Wheeton, alive.

Thomas Buffington, alive. John Brown

REHOBOTH.

Jonathan Willmarth, alive. Sampson Mason, alive.

Joseph Baker. . John Hull . .

John Ridaway .

Josiah Perry . John Ide . .

James, son. Josiah, son. Timothy, brother.

Thomas Kindrick

Heirs. . John, son.

John, son.

Edward, son.

Joseph Daggett . John Martin . .

John, son.

LITTLE COMPTON.

Benjamin Church

Thomas, son.

¹ Ehenezer Owen had a son who has left a son called Thomas Owen who claims, and to whom the right belongs.



DIGHTON.

Soldier Grantee. Claimant.

Theophilus Mitchell . . . Edw^d. Shove, son-in-law.

Abraham Hathaway . . . Abraham, son.

Benjamin Crane Heirs.

ATTLEBOROUGH.

Jonathan Freeman Jonathan, son. John Fitch Joseph Brown, heir.

NORTON.

Sam¹. Skillings Mehitable Tucker, daughter.

William Wetherell John, son. Thomas Barnam John, son.

FREETOWN.

Joshua Tisdale Samuel, son. Moses Cleveland John, son.

BARRINGTON.

Benjamin Allen Joseph, son.
Richard Allen Joseph, nephew.
John Reed John, son.

BRIDGEWATER.1

Richard Burnham Abigail Hubbard, daughter.

Samuel Pecher Samuel, son.

Daniell Hudson, alive.

Richard Jennings, alive.

Isaac Leonard Isaac, son.

Joseph Richards Benjamin Richards.
John Howard . . . Edward, son.

John Howard Edward, son. James Cary James, son.

Elisha Hayward Thomas 3^d, nephew.

Jonathan Washburn . . . Benjamin, son.

Joseph Bailey Ebent. Hill, nephew.

Solomon Cheever (Cheeker) . Josiah Edson. Ebenezer Hill Ebenezer, son.

John Handmore John, son.

KILLINGLY.

David Church, alive.

Isaac Morriss Samuel, brother.

LEABANON.

Benjamin Woodworth.

¹ Eridgewater names confirmed by the partial list of Grantees in Mass. Archives, vol. 114, pp. 103-116.



MIDDLEBOROUGH.

Soldier Grantee. Claimant.

Daniell Ramsdell Thomas, son.

Isaac Peirce, alive.

*Ellexander Reynolds (Rynge), (?) alive.

MIDDLETON.

Ebenezer Prout, alive.

PLIMPTON.

John Barret, alive. John Briant, alive. George Sampson, alive.

Caleb Cook Heirs.

KINGSTON.

William Bradford John, son.

ROCHESTER.

Nehemiah Bessey Robert, son.

Moses Barlow, alive.

Isaac Holmes Ebenezer, son.

PEMBROOK.

Elisha Busbee (Besbedge) . . Elisha, son. Nathaniel Nicolls, alive. Hopestill Busby (Besbedge) . . Elisha, nephew.

MARSHFIELD.

*Walter Noice (Voice), alive. Jonathan Crocker, alive. Joseph Ross, alive.

Josiah Winslow Isaac, son.

James Snow * ? Winslow.

ASHFIELD.

Andrew Watkins Andrew, son. William Preist William, son.

COLCHESTER.

Benjamin Chamberlain, alive.

HADDAM.

James Ray, alive. Thomas Lewis, alive.

HEBRON.

Richard Man, alive.



WRENTHAM.

Foldier Grantee. Claimant.
Thomas Man Thomas, son.
John Day John, son.

BELLINGHAM.

Thomas Brick Thomas, son.

HORSENECK.

Thomas Bullen Thomas, son.

WALPOLE.

Samuel Foster John, son. William Robins William, son.

NORTH KINGSTON.

James Updike, alive.

NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP NO. 5, SOUHEGAN EAST, NOW BEDFORD, PART OF MERRIMAC, AND PART OF MANCHESTER, N.H.

This township was drawn to the grantees, or their claimants, then (1733), residing in the several towns of Boston, Roxbury, Dorchester, Milton, Braintree, Weymouth, Hingham, Dedham, Stoughton, Brookline, Needham, Hull, Medfield, Scituate, Newport, New London and Providence. The grantees met, and chose for their committee, Col. Thomas Tileston, Mr. Jonathan Williams and Capt. Joseph Ruggles. A different mode of management and settlement was proposed by this company, and allowed by the General Court. They proposed to settle sixty families, and the other sixty grantees, or those who became proprietors, to pay five pounds on their rights, into the general propriety. Those who drew odd-numbered lots were to pay five pounds, and those who drew even numbers were to settle families. All were to bear a proportional part in meeting the conditions of the settlement of the township. From a report made to the General Court, March 25th, 1751 (Mass. Archives, vol. 115, p. 844), it is seen that the rights throughout the township were then all drawn and surveyed, and the names of the proprietors of the settled and unsettled lots given. Sixty families were then settled in town, but no minister, and no meeting-house built. One hundred and twenty acres had been voted to Deacon Jonathan Williams for his services as proprietor's treasurer, and one hundred and twenty more to Capt. Joseph Blanchard if he erect a



good saw-mill and corn-mill. There had been "much discouragement from the late Indian wars;" and seventeen gentlemen of New Hampshire, calling themselves "Lord Proprietors" of the said Province, claim to own the land, but have granted them their rights as laid out, on condition that seventeen rights be reserved for themselves.

LIST OF GRANTEES AND CLAIMANTS OF NARRAGANSET NO. 5, NOW BEDFORD, ETC.

BOSTON. Soldier Grantee Claimant. Andrew Belcher, Esq. . His Excellency Jona. Belcher, son. Dr. John Clark . . . Heirs, by William Clark. . Heirs. Richard Way. . William Dinsdell William, son. (Thomas?) Warren . . . Sarah Warren, wife. Henry Swain Benjamin, son. Isaac Prince Heirs. Dr. John Cutler Heirs. Benjamin Williams Heirs. Nicholas Allin Daniel, son. Henry Timberlake Heirs. Jeremiah Fay Heirs. Thomas Weymouth Heirs. John Arnold Heirs. Samuel Polard . . Sam'. Kneeland, gr. son. Samuel Bicknerd Benjamin, son. Jacob Grig Heirs. Joseph Gridley . . . John, son. John Nelson, alive. Perez Savage . . Heirs. James Lendal Heirs. Thomas Plimbly Heirs. John Mors John Gridley, gr. son. (John?) Ruggles John Ruggles, son. John Triscot Samuel Kneeland. Daniel Matthews Rebecca Hannan, daughter. Benjamin Dyer Benjamin, son. Edward Ting. Edward, son. John Leach John, son. Henry Chamberlain John, son. David Landon Benjamin, son. Joshua Lain John, son. Edward Wedan Rebecca Foster, daughter. Joshua Hewes Sarah Perkins. Ambros Dawes Thomas, son. Ambros Dawes Zachariah Gurney, alive. Capt. (Nath.) Davenport . . Addington Davenport, nephew.

Thomas Hunt, alive.

¹ Probably Thomas, of Boston, M. Sarab Fitch. See Moselev's Co.



Soldier Grantee.		•	Claimant.
Capt. (Sam¹.) Wadsworth			Joseph, Esq., son.
 Peter Bennet			
Gamaliel Rogers			Simon, son.
John Tuckerman, alive.			,
Richard Bill			Richard, son.
William Haey	•		William, gr. son.
John Richards	•	•	John, son.
Capt. (Sam ¹ .) Maudesley.	•	•	
William Manley, alive.	•	•	Johathan Williams, Son-in-law.
John Means, alive.			Enhaim con
Caleb Moor	٠	•	Ephraim, son.
Capt. James Oliver	•	•	Daniel, nephew.
John Hands	٠		Hugh Calder, son-in-law.
Pilgrim Simpkins		٠	Thomas and John, sons.
John Goodwin		•	Nathaniel, son.
Thomas Beedle			Thomas, son.
George Ripley			Moses Ayers, son.(?)
Thomas Moors			John, son.
Thomas Barnard			Thomas, son.
		ROX	BURY.
Teach Cond			John Wilson, son in low
Joseph Goad	•	•	John Wilson, son-in-law.
Joseph Dudley, Esqr	•	•	Paul, son.
Paul Wilson	•	•	Henry, son.
John Watson	•		Caleb Stedman, nephew.
William Lyon			
Thomas Hawley			
John Payson		•	John, son.
John Scot			
Thomas Bishop	٠		Zachariah Chandler, son-in-law.
			Edmond, son.
John Baker, alive.			
Thomas Morev			John, son.
Thomas Hencher			Zechariah Smith, niece's husband.
Samuel Williams, alive.			
Thomas Baker			John, brother.
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	DO)PCI	HESTER.
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Timothy Tileston	٠	•	Thomas, son.
Hopestill Humphrey, alive.			** .
Thomas Davenport	٠	•	Heirs.
Ebenezer Williams, alive.			***
Henry Ledbetter	•	٠	Heirs.
Samuel Jones	٠		Ebenezer, son.
William Davenport	•	٠	Richard, nephew.
		MII	LTON.
John Miller			Samuel, brother.
Thomas Vose	:		** :
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BRAINTREE.

Soldier Grantee. Claimant. Samuel Bass, alive. Samuel Bingley Saml. Whitt, son-in-law, Thomas Coplin Thomas, son. Thomas Holbrook, alive. Thomas Bingley Heirs. WEYMOUTH. John Hollis . Samuel, son. William Sewell Nicholas Phillips, son-in-law. John Burrill, alive. John Whitmarsh . . . Gideon Terrel. HINGHAM. Joseph Thorn, alive. Thomas Thaxter . . . Samuel, brother. John Jacobs John, son. Francis Gurnet Samuel, son. Samuel Gill, alive. John Langley John, son. Samuel Lincoln Samuel, son. Ephraim Lain Ephraim, son. Nathaniel Beal Heirs. Benjamin Bates Heirs. Cornelius Canterbury Heirs. (George) Vickrey Israel, son. John Arnold Heirs. DEDHAM. Samuel Gill, alive. Samuel Colburn Ephraim Colburn. Jonathan Gay Jeremiah, son. William Dean Heirs. (" Wm. Dean died at Lebanon.") STOUGHTON. Peter Talbot George, son. BROOKLYN. Benjamin White Heirs. Samuel Gardner Joseph, brother. NEEDHAM. John Rice, alive. HULL. Joseph Benson Joseph, son.

John Bull Thomas Vickars.



MEDFIELD.

Soldier Grantee. Claimant.

John Plympton John, son.

SCITUATE.

Samuel Hatch, alive. Richard Proute John, son.

Israel Hobart, alive.

William Hawkins Benjamin Turner.

Joseph Brigs Heirs.

NEWPORT.

Jethro Jeffreys Heirs.

NEW LONDON.

Samuel Knight Mad^m. Livingstone, niece.

PROVIDENCE.

David Evans David, son.

John Jacts (Jaques), alive.

A true copy,

Attest Sam". Kneeland.

Cle: to the grantees.

NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP NO. 6, NOW TEMPLETON, MASS.

This township was confirmed by the General Court February 12th, 1733, to one hundred and twenty grantees, or their representatives, then residing in the towns of Concord, Groton, Marlboro', Chelmsford, Billerica, Lancaster, Lexington, Stow, Framingham, Littleton, Sherborn, Stoneham, Southboro', Woburn. The committee chosen to manage the affairs of this township were Mr. Samuel Chandler of Concord, Mr. Jacob Wright of Woburn, and Capt. Benjamin Prescott of Groton. This committee seems to have managed so well as not to have troubled the General Court further, except in 1736, when it was found that their grant fell about one thousand acres short of the amount granted, partly by rectifying the line of Narraganset No. 2. In answer to this the Court granted a tract of four hundred acres on the northerly side, from the Province lands. The list of names for this township is the least satisfactory of all. After a search extending, at various times, over many years, I have not been able to find any list of grantees, and after long study and research present this list of original claimants with such additional facts and hints as I can glean from various sources. From the old Proprietors'



Record-Book, in Templeton, I copied the earliest list of those who drew lots on June 24th, 1735. No residence is mentioned in connection with the names, and only in a few instances is any reference made to the grantees. From the partial list in the State Archives I gather the grantees living in Concord and Billerica. Those items which follow the star, (*) are references to this volume. It is to be plainly understood that these are only hints, and by no means identifications of grantees. Many of the company of Captain Davenport were from the towns represented in this grant. These references may help the student in overcoming some of the defects of this list.

LIST OF PROPRIETORS OF NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP NO. 6.

June 24 1735. Those that drawed their lots in the Narraganset Township No. 6.

	Claimant. Grantees and references.
49.	Samuel Chandler For his father Joseph Buss [sic].
52.	Samuel Chandler Assine to John Taley.
19.	Benjamin Temple In the right of his father Abraham.
88.	Zechariah Symmes.
9 and 96.	Simon Davis.
39.	Jonathan Buttrick For heirs of Samuel Buttrick.
8.	Ephraim Brown For his father Thomas Brown.
104.	Elnathan Jones Assine to Jonathan Looker.
14.	Samuel Miles.
26.	John Wood.
17.	Jonathan Whiteom.
80.	Joseph Buckley For his father Peter Buckley.
18.	George Farrar (Farrow) Heir to Samuel How.
38.	Deacon Saml. Stone . *Capt. Prentice's Co.
118.	Daniel Adams For his father-in-law, Daniel
	Dean.
82.	David Whitney.
111.	Daniel Billing For his father Nathaniel.
94. E.	Joseph Wheat For Moses Wheat.
117.	Abraham Taylor.
7.	Samuel Hartwell For his father Samuel.
120.	
79.	Thomas Ball.
84.	Moses Whitney *Capt. Davenport's Co.
69.	Ebenezer Wheeler For his father John.
62.	Henry Baldwin *Capt. Davenport's Co. (John).
94. W.	Eleazer Flagg For his father Eleazer.
77.	Nathaniel Kendall *Capt. Oliver's Co. (John).
35.	Zechariah Flagg *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Michael).
96. W.	Samuel Wilson *Capt. Johnson's Co. (Nath!.).
30.	John Wyman *Capt. Prentice's Co. (son of John,
	killed at Narraganset).
95. W.	Eben Parker *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Thomas
	and John).



No. of Lot.	. Claimant. Grantees and reference.
103.	John Cuttler *Capt. Davenport's Co.
112.	Sam'. Hincher (Henshaw) *Lieut. Oakes Co. (Thomas).
85.	Jacob Wright "For Eams," *Capt. Prentice's
	Co. (John Eams).
23.	Nathan Brooks "For Snow," *Capt. Davemort,
	(Zach. Snow).
28.	Joshua Richardson *Capt. Prentice's Co. (Nath).
100.	David Roberts *Capt. Davenport's Co. (William).
113.	Edward Win *Capt. Brattle's Co. (increase Winne).
89.	Jonathan Wyman *Capt. Prentice's Co. (Lieat. John) son.
42.	Eleazer Bateman *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Peter).
116.	James Simonds *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Calch).
121.	Benjamin Wyman *Capt. Prentice's Co. (Francis)
123.	son? Flighe Tettingham *Mains Appleton's Co. (Ulina)
68.	Elisha Tattingham *Major Appleton's Co. (Elias). Jonas Houghton.
74.	Benjamin Shedd For his father John, alive.
15.	Simon Stone.
29.	William Shattuck *Capt. Prentice's Co.
3.	Jonathan Farnsworth . *Maj. Willard's Co. (Matthias of
	Groton).
25.	John Wheeler For his brother Joseph.
32.	Joseph Wood.
,63.	Thomas Tarble.
86.	Samuel Hunt, alive.
54.	Jonathan Lawrence . *Capt. Davenport's Co.
34.	Zechariah Lawrence.
	John Muzzey.
33. 37.)	Col. Benjamin Prescott *Capt. Mosely's Co. (John Pres-
67. 101. ∫	cott).
70.	Daniel Woodward *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Daniel).
114.	Gershom Flagg Probably of Woburn.
53.	Joseph Fasset Probably son of Patrick of Biller.
	ica.
10.	William Wheeler.
73.	Dr. John Longley.
98.	Benjamin Whitney.
75.	Thomas Amsden For Isaac.
	Thomas Amsden For Jacob.
122.	Daniel White *Capt. Davenport's Co. (John).
	Thomas Hapgood For Waight.
	Daniel Gates For Wheeler.
	Henry Bartlett *Capt. Johnson's Co. (Henry).
	Nathaniel Trask *Capt. Gardiner's Co. (John).
	John Eams *Capt. Prentice's Co. (John).
66.	Henry Eams.
	James Pattison For his father James.
13. 4.	Moses Burdue. Thomas Baldwin *Capt. Davenport's Co. (John).
10. 4.	Thomas Dalumin Capt. Davenport's Co. (80aa).



106. John Needham	No. of Lot.	Claimant.	Grantees and references.
47. Jonathan Simonds . *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Caleb). 119. John Provinder		-	For his father John.
119. John Provinder			
24. Samuel Sheldon 91. Josiah Hobbs 92. Capt. James Jones 83. John Adams 85. Benjamin Thomson 86. Benjamin Gery 86. Benjamin Gery 87. Starter Joseph 88. Benjamin Gery 89. Capt. Prentice's Co. (John) 89. Capt. Benjamin Thomson 80. Son. Son. Son. Son. Son. Son. Son. Son			Drawn by Benja. Muzzey, *Capt.
91. Josiah Hobbs *Capt. Syll's Co. 99. Capt. James Jones . *Major Appleton's Co. (Morgan Jones). 60. Capt. Jonathan Bowers. 43. John Adams *Capt. Prentice's Co. (John). 12. Capt. Benjamin Thomson		0 1 01 11	
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son			*Capt. Prentice's Co. (John).
58. Benjamin Gery *Capt. Prentice's Co. (Thomas). 15. Ebenezer Fisk	12.	Capt. Benjamin Thom-	
115. Ebenezer Fisk			
55. John Whitcomb, Esq. 51. Thankful Reed			
51. Thankful Reed			For James Houghton.
90. Caleb Sawyer 1. Hezekiah Hapgood. 78. Robert Cummings. 40. Samuel Warren 2. Benjamin Atherton. 20. John Priest 45. Jacob Houghton. 61. Benjamin Smith 65. John Tyler 66. Timothy Spalding. 21. Ephraim Temple. 16. Timothy Townsend 57. John Swan 27. Joseph Hosly. 31. Edward Wilson 59. John Overing, Esq. 20. Robert Robbins 50. John Cummings 60. *Capt. Davenport's Co. (James, Joseph, Jona.). For Jacob Wright, *Capt. Prentice's Co. (Joseph). For Paddleford, *Capt. Syll's Co. (Zechariah). *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Samuel). For Paddleford, *Capt. Syll's Co. (Zechariah). *Capt. Bocklebank's Co. (John). *Capt. Bocklebank's Co. (John). *Capt. Bocklebank's Co. (John). *Capt. Davenport's Co. (John).			
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40. Samuel Warren *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Daniel). 20. John Priest	-		
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22. Robert Robbins *Major Appleton's Co. (John). 105. Isaae Larned *Capt. Davenport's Co. (Isaae). 59. John Cummings. 102. John Barrett *Capt. Prentice's Co. 46. First Ministry, 92, Min-	5. 93.		
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			*Capt. Prentice's Co.
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Additional names from the partial list in the Mass. Archives, vol. 114, pp. 103-110. A part of the names of Concord men I have incorporated in the references above. The towns of Billerica and Concord only, of the "No. 6 Towns," appear in this fragmentary list. I add the names not already given above.



CONCORD.

•	Clair	man	t.				Grantee.
Samuel Chandl	er						Assign to John Griggs.
Samuel Chandl	er,	Jr					Assign to John Kene.
Jonathan Whit	ne	у,	aliv	e.			
Jane Cane .							For her father John Cane.
William Charac	•					•	TICH to both Injion.
James Russel							For his grandfather Benjamin.

BILLERICA.

NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP NO. 7, NOW GORHAM, ME.

This township was assigned by lot, at the memorable meeting at Luke Verdey's, October 17, 1733, to grantees resident in the towns of Barnstable, Yarmouth, Eastham, Sandwich, Plymouth, Tisbury, Abington, Duxbury, and "one of Scituate." The committee chosen to manage the affairs of this township were Col. Shubael Gorham, Mr. Timothy White, and Mr. Robert Standford. The township was located to the eastward of No. 1, and adjoining

Falmouth and Presumpscot River.

The list below is copied directly from the old Proprietors' Record Book. There are two lists, almost identical, with the exception that one contains the residences and number of lots drawn to each name; the other contains a few additional facts serving to identify some of the claimants. The lists purport to be lists of grantees, but for a long time I have questioned this, and feared it was simply the claimants or proprietors, and find still some perplexing questions. For instance, "Mary Douener" or (Dovenour). How could she be a grantee? But, on the other hand, all the tests from other sources, which I have been able to apply, support the theory that these were the names of the "soldier grantees." The "partial list," in the Archives, often referred to above, contains the names of the grantees resident in Yarmouth, and simply gives the names of the soldier-grantees, followed by the word "Heirs;" and in every case these names agree with the list I copy here. I have included here the additional facts from the second list; for instance, "Thomas Standish, for his uncle, Henry Clark," which may be of help to students of genealogy-The starred items are the additions from the second list.



A list of the Narragansitt Grantees for the Township, No. 7 — Boston, June 6, 1733.

BARNSTABLE.			William Chase	113
		38	Capt. Jn°. Gorham	96
Jacob Hinkley	:	122	Tho. Baxter	84
		22	John Thatcher	31
John Carmon George Lewis	٠	14	John Hallitt	93
George Lewis	•	40	John Matthews	55
John Hathway	٠	86	Tho. Thornton	3
Joseph Higgin	٠	54	Edward Gray	4
Samuel Bryant	•		Sam ^a . Hall	5
Richard Ellingham	•	21	T 25.1	6
Samuel Childs	٠	118	T . CV)	7
Samuel Barnam	٠	13	T . TT	119
Sam ^{ll} Linnell	٠	89		
D' Mathw. Fuller	٠	69		83
Samuel Fuller	•	20		-
Tho'. Fuller	٠	25	Joseph Welden	30
Increase Clap Joseph Taylor		16	Samuel Thomas	34
Joseph Taylor	٠	72	Jon. Smith	17
John Donean		15	Samuel Jones	9
Barthow. Hamblin		88	John Taylor	18
Eleaz ^r . Hamblin		42	Tho. Felton	10
Tho. Huckins		141	John Gage	52
John Phinney		87	William Follen	12
Joseph Bearse		81	William Gage	49
Sami Hinkley		80	Annanias Wing	110
Sam ^{ll} Allyn		70	John Crowell	75
Sam ¹¹ Davis		98	John Chase	108
John Lewis heirs		1	Henry Gold	60
Caleb Lumbert		19	Richard Lake	102
Joseph Gorham		64	Jabez Gorham	109
Josiah Davis		23	Henry Gage	50
Eben Goodspeed		85	Yelverton Crowell	62
Eben ^r Clap		100	John Pugsley	106
Lot Conant		33	Daniel Baker	
Jedediah Lumbert		47		78
Samuel Cops		97	Sam ^{ll} . Baker	79
Joseph Blish		27	W ^m . Baker	43
John Howland	:	111		
John Clarke	:	115	EASTHAM.	
*Shubal Gorham, Jr.,)	•			
for his father John (63	*Timothy Cole }	41
Joseph Crocker		114	for his father Timothy }	41
John Goodspeed	•	112	*Jeremiah Smith	91
•	•	112	for his father Jeremiah }.	0.1
YARMOUTH.			*Jon*. Grew	
*Samuel Barker		74	for his father-in-law, \.	59
for his father Samuel	٠		Daniel Cole.	
Richard Tayler		120	*Joseph & Sam". Doan	
William Gray		71	for their father Samuel }.	36
for his father William	٠	7 i	Berry	
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Tho". Paine		94	Jas. Atkins 61
Jedediah Higgins		65	Jehosophat Eldridge 85
Eliakim Higgins		11	
Joseph Downings		104	PLIMOUTH.
Benj. Downings		103	W ^m . Ring 46
John Freeman		34	Peter Tinkham) 28
Jona. Sparrow		92	for his father Peter)
John Knowles		73	*Tho Savery 26
Samuel Atkins		67	for his father Samuel \ . 20
John Doan		51	
Thos. Mulford		90	TISBURY.
Daniel Doan		29	Jon ^a . Lumbert 117
Jn°. Walker		53	
Jn°. Nyriek		82	ABBINGTON.
Nath". Williams		58	William Harrage 66
Josiah Cook		76	
Joseph Harding		39	DUXBURY.
*George Brown)	44	Robert Barker 101
for his father George	ζ.	44	*Robert Sandfort)
SANDWICH.			for his father Robert \ . 95
		1	Thos. Bonney 32
*Jona. Morrey)	68	Stephen Sampson 97
for his wife's brother		00	#*Ph of II and
Foster)	,	for his uncle Thomas Hunt (77
*Sam¹. Toby for his uncle Sam¹. Kn	-44	48	*That Ctandish
	ott)	for his uncle Henry Clark
*Nath!. Wing		45	for his thick from y chara)
for his father Nath ¹ Sam ¹¹ . Gibbs		37	SCITUATE.
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Jnº. Lewis		56	*Timothy White
for his brother Benj.		1	for his father Timothy j

There were many disagreements among the claimants, and some of the evidence furnished here and there in fragments of depositions relating to the evidence, found in the Archive . is of great interest. A memorial of Shubael Goreham to the General Court, presented April 17, 1741, states that several mistakes have been made in the list of No. 7, and petitions for authority to rectify such mistakes. He says that "Richard Taylor" and "Richard Taylor's heirs" appear; whereas, the latter item should have been "John Taylor's heirs." And again, two entries appear in the list 'William Gray is entered "for his father William." and then "William Gray's heirs." Now, there were not two William Grays, but there was an Edward Gray. And another entered Joseph Crocker, where it should have been Joseph Crocker, etc., and so it is moved that the mistakes be rectified and that John Taylor, Edward Grav, and Josiah Crocker bo placed in the list. But in November, 1742, another turn is given to the Crocker story by the following interesting deposition, which I give in full:



Ebenezer Goodspeed of Barnstable, being in the eighty-seventh year of his age, testifieth and saith that he being a soldier in the Narragansett wars so-called, under Capt. Thomas Howes, and he well remembers that Mr. Joseph Crocker, Dec⁴. of said Barnstable was one of said Howe's soldiers, and I think it was the year of the Philip's war so-called begun, and I also remember said Crocker was out that year Sam' Linnell was out in Pearces Fight, so called and he and the said Sam' Linnell was the only English man of Barnstable that returned home from that fight, and he showed me his hat where it was shot through after his return from said Pearces Fight, and further I gave Col. Goreham, Joseph Crocker's name to return to the General Court some time ago, and I never heard or understood that Josiah Crocker of Barnstable was ever out in the said wars, and he was my neighbor and I should have known, if he had been out.

EBENEZER GOODSPEED.

Eben Goodspeed made oath etc. Nov. 13, 1742.

Jonathan Crocker testificth to the same above as to Joseph Crocker and Sam¹ Linnel, and also as to Josiah Crocker, Dec. 4, 1742. (York Registry of Deeds, v. 23, p. 105.)

It will be noted that Joseph Crocker's name stands in the list, as well as Gray's and Taylor's, but in the old partial list, in the Archives, the correction is made, and opposite "William Gray's," is written "Edward," while opposite "Richard Taylour's," is written the name "John." In the above lists I have made the corrections in regard to Taylour and Gray.

NARRAGANSET TOWNSHIP GRANTED TO CONNECTICUT VOLUNTEERS IN THE NARRAGANSET WAR, NOW VOLUNTOWN, CONNECTICUT.

Connecticut rewarded her Narraganset soldiers many years

before the final action of Massachusetts Colony.

In October, 1696, Lieut. Thomas Leffingwell of Norwich, and Sergt. John Frink of Stonington, moved the Court of Connecticut, "that they, with the rest of the English volunteers in the former wars, might have a plantation granted unto them."

The Court, in answer, then granted them a tract six miles square, to be taken up out of some of the conquered land, where it might be had without prejudice to any former grant. A com-

mittee of the grantees made choice of a tract.

October 14, 1697, Capt. Samuel Mason, Mr. John Gallop and Lieut. James Avery were appointed a committee to view the said tract.

Upon the report of the above committee, the Court, in October, 1700, confirmed their former grant to a committee of seven, viz.: Lieut. Thomas Leflingwell, Lieut. Richard Bushnell, Isaac



Wheeler, Caleb Fobes, Samuel Bliss, Joseph Morgan and Manasseh Miner, and the rest of the volunteers in the Narraganset War.

At a meeting of the volunteers, July 1, 1701, Capt. Richard Bushnell was chosen clerk, to make a list of the names of those who were volunteers in the Narraganset wars. Lieut. Thomas Leffingwell, Lieut. James Avery, Sergt. John Frink, Richard Bushnell, and Deacon Caleb Fobes, were chosen a committee to receive and decide the correctness of the claims presented. On the next day the volunteers voted to grant to Capt. Samuel

Mason an equal share with the others.

From the old Proprietors' Record Book at Voluntown I have secured two lists of the grantees or "Volunteers." The first list was made in the order of the enrolment of the names, and was copied for Hon. Richard A. Wheeler, of Stonington, in 1860, by Elisha Potter, then Town Clerk of Voluntown, and published by him some years ago, in the Narragansett Historical Register. The other list is that of the "Cedar Swamp Lots," so called. was copied for me by the Town Clerk, Mr. Charles E. Maine, of Voluntown, and I am assured that it is correct. I have compared these lists, and while there are some few discrepancies in the spelling, and some names in each list not in the other, the lists are otherwise identical. For the convenience of readers I have arranged the second list here according to the numbers drawn for Cedar Swamp Lots. Mr. Wheeler's list marks the names of those deceased. The restrictions of the Connecticut grant to "English" volunteers shut out the Indians, who formed a large contingent of their forces, and also the white men, who were pressed into the service. In Massachusetts, thirty years later, all who had any hand in the Narraganset campaign, both from Massachusetts and Plymouth, whether volunteers or "impressed," were made grantees. Connecticut's volunteers, in 1701, were found to be about one hundred and eighty.

ENROLLMENT LIST.

A list of the Names of the English Volunteers in the late Narraganset War, as followeth:

- 1 Major Edward Palmes.
- 2 Capt George Denison.
- 3 Lieut. Thomas Leflingwell. 4 Major Wait Winthrop.
- 5 Rev. Mr. James Fitch.
- 6 Sargt. John Frink.
- 7 Capt. James Avery.
- 8 James Avery.
- 9 John Avery.
- 10 Thomas Avery.
- 11 Joshua Baker.

- 12 John Wickwier.
- 13 Ephraim Colver.
- 14 William Potts. 15 Edward Colver.
- 16 Samuel Yeomans.
- 17 John Lewis.
- 18 John Fish.
 - 19 Samuel Fish.
 - 20 William Williams.
 - 21 George Denison.
 - 22 William Denison.



23 Nathaniel Beebe.

24 Henry Stephens.

25 Edmond Fanning.

26 Thomas Fanning.

27 John Bennett (dec'd).

28 William Bennett.

29 Thomas Rose.

30 Philip Bill (dec'd).

31 Philip Bill.

32 Deny Springer.

33 Ezekiel Mayn.

34 William Wheeller.

35 Thomas Wooster.

36 Gershom Palmer.

37 Jonathan Armstrong.38 Samuel Stanton.

30 Pohort Stanton

39 Robert Stanton.

40 Daniel Stanton.

41 James Morgan.

42 John Keene.

43 John Latham.

44 John Waterhouse.

45 Joseph Morgan.

46 Nathaniel Park.

47 William Douglace.48 Manasseth Miner.

49 James Willit.

50 Rev. James Noyes.

51 Capt. John Stanton.

52 Joseph Stanton. 53 Aaron Stark (dec'd).

54 John Stark (dec'd).

55 James York (dec'd).

56 Thomas Bell (dec'd).

57 Lieut. Thomas Miner.

58 Richard Bushnell.

59 Samuel Lathrop.60 Solomon Tracy.

61 John Willey (dec'd).

62 Samuel Tubbs (dec'd).

63 Robert Park.

64 Peter Spiser (dec'd).

65 Jonathan Rudd.

66 Richard Cook (dec'd).

67 Thomas Park (dec'd).

68 Henry Elliott (dec'd). 69 Thomas Bliss (dec'd).

70 Isaac Wheeler.

71 Peter Cross.

72 Jonathan Gennings.

73 Caleb Fobes.

74 John Gallop.

75 Adam Gallop.

76 William Gallop.

77 Nathaniel Cheesebro.

78 Ephraim Miner.

79 Joseph Miner.

80 Samuel Miner (dec'd). 81 John Asheraft (dec'd).

82 Joshua Holmes (dec'd).

83 Capt. Ebenezer Johnson.

84 Joseph Wheeler.

85 Sergt. Moses Johnson.

86 Daniel Tracy.

87 Edmond Fanning. 88 William Roberts.

89 John Denison.

90 Mathew Griswold.

91 Richard Lord.

92 Stephen Dewolf.

93 Richard Smith.

94 John Smith.

95 Francis Smith.

96 Moses Huntly.

97 Henry Bennett.98 Henry Peterson.

99 Samuel Stephens.

100 Henry Hall.

101 William Champlin.

102 Capt. Pembleton.103 Daniel Crumb.

103 Paniel Crumb. 104 Nicholas Cottrell.

105 John Pameter.

106 Samuel Roger.

107 John Hull.108 Daniel Kelsie.

109 John Mintor.

110 John Stephens.

111 Ebenezer French.

112 John Griswold.

113 Nehemiah Smith.

114 John Wheeler.

115 Nathaniel Haiden (dec'd).116 Joseph Hull (dec'd).

117 Samuel Sheather (dec'd).

118 John Charles (dec'd).

119 Samuel Frisbie (dec'd).

120 John Plant (dec'd).

121 Samuel Fox.

122 Jacob Joy.

123 Clement Minor.

124 William Pendall.

125 Daniel Stubbins.126 John Hough.



127	Samuel Roberts.
128	Joshua Abell.
129	Thomas Rood.
130	William Knights.
131	Mathew Jones.
132	Thomas Williams.
133	Joseph Waterhouse.
134	Richard Dart.
135	Samuel Hough.
136	William Hough.
	128 129 130 131 132 133 134 135

137 Abel More. 138 Jeremiah Blake.

139 John Plumb.140 Thomas Hungerford.141 John Packer.

142 Samuel Packer.143 Nathaniel Holt.

144 Robert Lord. 145 John Woller.

146 Richard Smith. 147 Edward Dewolf.

148 Aaron Huntly. 149 James Murffey.

150 Robert Holmes.151 Daniel Comstock.

152 George Chappell.

153 Thurston Reinerd.154 Hugh Rowland.

155 John Lathrop.156 James Welch.

157 Daniel Clark.

158 Edward Shipman.159 Joseph Ingarum.

160 Joseph Colver.

161 William Billings.

162 John Shaw.

163 Stephen Richeson.

165

166 Roger Orris.

167 James Danielson.

169 Ebenezer Billings.

170 Jonathan Burteh.171 William Johnson.

172 Samuel Richarson.173 Thomas Brand.

174 William Champlin.

175 John Babeock.176 Edward Larkin.

177 Daniel Shaw.178 Thomas Renols.

179 William Lees.

180 Rev. Moses Noise. 181 John Larabe.

182 Joseph Northrop. 183 Robert Old.

184 Nathan Gillet.

185 John Somes.

Town Clerk's Office, Voluntown, December 23, 1860.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct extract from the Records of Voluntown, except some of the spelling.

Attest ELISHA POTTER,

Town Clerk.

LIST OF VOLUNTEERS WHO DREW "CEDAR SWAMP" LOTS.

1 Edward DeWolf.

2 Ephraim Culver.3 John Ashcroft.

4 Caleb Fobes.

5 Robert Stanton.6 Samuel Frisbee.

7 John Gallup.

8 William Potts.

9 Ebenezer Billings.

10 Richard Bushnell.

11 Philip Bill.

12 Sargt. John Frink.

13 Capt. Pendleton.

14 Peter Cross.15 Joshua Abell.

15 Joshua Abell. 16 John Parker.

17 Clement Miner.

18 James Welch.19 Manassah Miner.

20

21 Daniel Stanton.

22 Thomas Wooster.



23 Richard Lord.

24 Samuel Miner.

25 Gersham Palmer.

26 Samuel Rogers.

27 Henry Hall. 28 Thomas Rood.

29 Joshua Baker.

30 George Denison.

31 Richard Cook.

32 Rev. Moses Noyes.

33 Edmond Fanning.

34 John Waller.

35 Jonathan Jennings.

36 John Stark.

37 Joseph Hull.

38 Edmond Fanning.

39 Robert Old.

40 Benaiah Bushnel.

41 Samuel Lathrop. 42 Joseph Wheeler.

43 John Shaw.

44 John Kinne. 45 Samuel Roberts.

46 Nicholas Cotteral.

47 Ezekiel Maine.

48 Edward Colver. 49 John Lathrop.

50 Aaron Huntley.

51 Samuel Richards.

52 John Hough. 53 John Fanning.

54 Samuel Stephens.

55 Samuel Parker.

56 William Knight.

57 William Potts.

58 John Palmetor. 59 John Plant.

60 Rev. James Fitch.

61 John Griswold.

62 Capt. Geo. Denison. 63

64 Thomas Williams.

65 Robert Holmes.

66 John Minton. 67 Samuel Fox.

68 Maj. Wait Winthrop.

69 Nathaniel Holt.

70 Mathew Jones.

71 Jacob Joy.

72 Aaron Stark.

73 John Lewis.

74 Thomas Ross.

75 John Stephens.

76 John Avery.

77 Samuel Shother. 78 Samuel Yeomans.

79 Ephraim Miner.

80 George Chapple.

81 Daniel Tracy.

82 William Roberts. 83 Solomon Tracy.

84 Thomas Bliss.

85 Samuel Tubs.

86 Nathaniel Cheesebro.

87 Richard Smith.

88 Capt. Ebenezer Johnson. Sargt. Moses Johnson.

89 Thomas Reynolds.

90 Rev. James Noves.

91 Thomas Park.

92 Matthew Griswold. 93 Francis Smith.

94 Henry Paterson.

95 Nathan Gillit.

96 John Wickwire.

97 Joseph Ingraham. 98 Jeremiah Blage (Black).

99 Nehemiah Smith.

100 Robert Park. 101 Daniel Clark.

102 Richard Smith, Sen.

103 Henry Elliot. 104 John Waterhouse.

105 Roger Orris.

106 William Billings.

107 Daniel Kelsey. 108 Peter Spicer.

109 John Latham. 110 Jonathan Armstrong.

111 Daniel Crumb.

112 113 William Bennett.

114 William Douglass.

115 William Wheeler.

116 Demsy Springer. 117 Henry Stephens.

118 Nathaniel Haiden.

119 Moses Huntley.

120 Philip Bill.

121 James Danielson.

122 Richard Dart.

123 Ebenezer French.

124 William Lee (Lees).

125 Daniel Shaw.



126 Joshua Holmes.	155 Edward Larkin.
127 John Wheeler.	156 Nathaniel Park.
128 Samuel Stanton.	157 Thurston Rainar
129 James Murphy.	158 Capt. James Ave
130 Joseph Morgan.	159 John Fish.
131	160 Samuel Fish.
132 William Williams.	161 Adam Gallup.
133	162 John Lummis.
134	163 Thomas Hunger
135 Stephen Dewolf.	164 Daniel Stubbins.
136 Joseph Northrop.	165 Lieut. Thomas M
137 Hugh Rowland.	166 Nathaniel Beebe
138 Daniel Comstock.	167 Capt. John Stan
139 Thomas Fanning.	168 James Morgan.
140 Joseph Stanton.	169 James York.
141 Jonathan Rudd.	170 Joseph Miner.
142 John Willey.	171 William Denison
143 William Gallup.	172 Stephen Richard

100	Euwalu Larkin.
156	Nathaniel Park.
157	Thurston Rainard.
158	Capt. James Avery.
159	John Fish.
160	Samuel Fish.
161	Adam Gallup.
	John Lummis.
163	Thomas Hungerford.
164	Daniel Stubbins.
165	Lieut. Thomas Miner
166	Nathaniel Beebe.
167	Capt. John Stanton.
	James Morgan.
169	James York.
170	Joseph Miner.
171	William Denison.
172	Stephen Richardson.
173	John Denison.
174	Joseph Culver.
175	Samuel Hough.
	Moses Bennett.
177	John Smith.
178	James Avery.
	Joseph Waterhouse.
	James Willet.
181	John Bennett.
182	Thomas Bill.

The names in Mr. Wheeler's List, not found in the Cedar Swamp List:

William Hough. Jonathan Burtch. John Somes.

154 Thomas Avery.

144 Robert Lord.

145 Lieut. Thomas Leffingwell. 146 Maj. Edward Palmer. 147 Edward Shipman. 148 Isaac Wheeler. 149 John Charles. 150 Abel Moir. 151 William Johnson. 152 John Plumb. 153 John Hull.

John Babcock. Thomas Brand. John Larabe.

These last names were enrolled after the Cedar Swamp lots were drawn, and probably were assigned to the blank numbers.



LATER CREDITS FOR MILITARY SERVICE.

FROM JOHN HULL'S LEDGER.

The following names are gleaned from later Ledger Accounts of Treasurer John Hull. It will be seen that the credits of the Journal, heretofore given, close with the date September 23, 1676. The war continued for some time longer, and many whose names are already given did not there receive credit for their later service in the Journal accounts. Now the old Ledger helps out in these accounts, but also shows the new men engaged in the service; and I here add only the new names in general. This fortunate "overlapping" of the Ledger accounts occurs in the following way: In posting his Journal accounts, at first, Mr. Hull divided the Ledger pages for four accounts on each page. When he had filled the Ledger through the first time, he turned back, and used the spaces unused or unlikely to be used; and on most pages this gave four or five new accounts. It was in the last of these new accounts (and I judge that the process was repeated twice) that the items below are found. Of course the names are not assigned to any particular officer or service, but in many cases certain towns are mentioned through whose officers the soldiers received payment. This mention does not prove residence, but may serve in some cases to identify the names when taken with other facts. The list shows the names of those who served in the later months of 1676, and probably some who had not received credit for earlier services. The arrangement under towns etc is of course my even

arrangement under	towns, etc.,	is of course, my own	1.	
AMESBURY		BILLERICA.		
December 24,	1676.	November 24, 1	676.	
John Weed	01 04 00	Thomas Richardson		
February 24, 10 John Osgood	676-7. 01 04 00	February 24, 167 William Chamberlain		
BEVERLY.		BRAINTREE.		
November 24,	1676.	October 24, 16	76.	
Lott Conant	01 13 04	Michael Smith	00 09 00	
William Ferryman	02 14 00	Solomon Veysey	00 09 00	
		Thomas Bass	00 06 04	
January 24, 16	76-7.	Thomas Holbrook		
Ralph Ellinwood	01 10 00	George Bagley	05 04 06	



CAMBRIDGE.		CHELMSFORD.	
November 24, 16	76.	November 24, 16	576.
John Spring	01 00 06	James Harwood	04 11 00
Tanathan Dunster	01 01 05		
Daniel Sterling	02 07 00	January 24, 16	
Allin Mego	02 03 06	Cornelius Waldoe	$00 19 00 \\ 01 01 04$
		Joseph Hildrick	$01 \ 01 \ 04$
December 24			
Joseph Beach	00 17 00	CONCORD.	
Ephraim Frost	00 12 00	November 24, 1	676.
John Adams	00 04 00	William Jones	02 02 00
James Steabridg	00 07 00	William Godes	02 02 00
Ebenezer Wiswell	00 04 06	December 24, 1	676
John Ward	00 03 03		
Abraham Jackson	00 03 03	Samuel Cowdry	01 04 00
Noale Wiswell	00 03 03		
Green	00 03 03	January 24, 167	
William Willis	00 03 03	Humphry Barrett	07 12 10
	02 14 00	William Hartwell	$01 \ 05 \ 02$
Joseph Bush	02 10 08		
		DEDHAM.	
January 24, 167	6-7.	November 24, 1	676.
Jacob Amsden	$01 \ 01 \ 04 \ 01 \ 04$	Andrew Dewen	00 15 00
Daniel Stone	$01 \ 01 \ 04$	John Coleborne	00 15 00
		James Heering	00 15 00
February 24, 16	76-7.	Samuel Fuller	00 04 04
John Amsden	$02 \ 02 \ 10$	John Fairbank	00 04 04
Jeremiah Fuller	01 01 04	Thomas Herring	00 04 04
John Coller	03 09 00	James Macanab	00 04 04
		William Mekeynis	00 04 04 00 04 04
CHARLESTOWN		Samuel Sheers	00 04 04
November 24, 1	676.	Thomas Aldridg	00 04 04
Stephen Brown	04 10 00	Samuel Rice	01 11 08
James Miller	03 09 08		
	01 01 00	January 24, 16	76-7.
Lawrence Waters		Joseph Skelteane	00 15 04
James Lowden	00 10 00	o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o o	
		DORCHESTE	R.
January 24, 16	76-7.	October 24, 1	576.
John Codman	00 05 00		
John Simson	$00 \ 02 \ 06$	James Tucker	00 09 00 00 09 00 01 02 06
John Ellett	06 18 06	James Tucker Benjamin Leeds	01 02 06
Moses Parker	$02 \ 07 \ 00$	Trenjamin 14ccus	01 02 00
Timothy Brookes Samuel Boswell	06 04 04	December 24,	1676
	07 06 00		
Elnathan Dunklin	03 13 06	Elhanan Lyon	00 10 02
February 24, 16	76_7	January 24, 16	76.7
Samuel Carter	00 00 10	Philip Demorell	02 14 00



EXETER.				February 24, 167	6-7		
October 24, 167	6.			Joseph Merry	02	14	00
		04	00	Nehemiah Hobbs	00	12	00
Philip Cartey John Bean		04		Jacob Brown	01	04	00
Nicholas Norriss		12		Samuel Fogg	01	04	00
Jonathan Robinson		03		James Marston	01	10	00
		09	-	Nathaniel Boulter	01	10	00
Jonathan Thwing		05		William Marston	01	14	06
Nathaniel Right Eliezer Elkins		11		Henry Moulton	02	14	04
Robert Wadly		07		John Huckins	02	10	06
Christian Dolhof		03		John Brown	03	13	13
John Young		08					
Kinsley Hall		08		HINGHAM.			
Mathew Mitchell		06		December 24, 167	6_7		
James Perkins		07		,			00
Moses Levett		06		William Woodcock	00	10	UU
Bily Dudly		00		T 94 107			
Robert Smart		06		January 24, 1676			
John Wedgewood		03		Simon Gross	01	12	06
John Foalsam		03					
John Gilman, Jr.		12		IPSWICH.			
William Houldrige		02		November 24, 16	76.		
Daniel Gilman		09		John Edwards		10	06
Henry Magoon		01		Josiah Briggs		16	
Samuel Foulsam		01	0.0	Jonathan Lummas			
William Moor		12		o onwine Light	•		00
Henry Sparkes		05		December 24, 16	76.		
Thomas Rawlins		03		,			0.0
Samuel Levett		06		Richard Lewis		11	
John Barber		14		Thomas Bray	04		
John Gilman	05	15	06	William Quarles		00	
Moses Gilman		01		Jeremiah Jewett		05	
Peter Folsam	00	18	10	Samuel Hunt	08	04	00
David Robertson	00	01	08	_			
George Stimson	03	18	00	January 24, 1676	5-7.		
Jacob Wheeler	15	00	00	William Story	02	10	00
				John Gilbert	03	17	10
GLOUCESTER				Abraham Knowlton	02	14	00
				Andrew Peters	02	14	00
December 24, 10	676.			Christopher Bolls	01	05	08
Joseph Clark	04	04	00	Nathaniel Emerson	02	14	00
				Nathaniel Lampson	00	18	00
January 24, 167	6-7.			Thomas Jaques	01	12	10
Vincent Davis			0.0	Andrew Burley	01	05	08
vincent Davis	02	14	00				
HAMPTON.				February 24, 167	6-7		
December 24, 1	676			John Lambert		11	
· ·				John Pingry		04	
John Philbrick			0.0	Aaron Pingry		06	
John Huggin			0.0	Nathaniel Lord		06	
John Bray	00	18	10	Job Bishop	02	03	06



LYNN.		MEDFORD.		
November 24, 1	676.	November 24, 1676.		
Aquilla Ramsdell	01 10 00	James Stoakes	02 14 00	
December 24, 10	676.	February 24, 16	76-7.	
John Edmonds Samuel Johnson Nathaniel Cartland Thomas Farrar John Witt	00 11 05	Thomas Philybrown	01 01 04	
Samuel Johnson	00 11 05			
Nathaniel Cartland	00 13 08	MILTON.		
Thomas Farrar	00 11 05	October 24, 16	676.	
John Witt	00 17 00			
January 24, 167	76-7.	Blaze Sleth William Dennison	00 09 00	
George Bagwell		February 24, 16	76-7.	
February 24, 167	76-7.	Daniel Dike	07 00 06	
Daniel Gott William Barber John Haven Robert Potter	02 01 00	NEWBURY.		
William Barber	0 2 08 00			
John Haven	03 07 06	November 24,		
Robert Potter	02 01 00	Samuel Lowell	03 00 00	
		George Moyer Moses Little	02 14 00	
MALDEN.		John Mitchell	01 10 10 01 10 10	
January 24, 167		Thomas Silver	01 10 10	
Thomas May	02 02 00	Joshua Richardson	01 00 00	
February 24, 16	76-7.	Timothy Noyce	01 04 00	
		Peter Uter Jeremiah Davis	01 04 00 01 04 00	
Thomas Dickerman Edward Despaw	02 04 06	Joseph Little	01 18 00	
		Joseph Poore	01 04 00	
MARBLEHEAD		Joseph Little Joseph Poore Robert Cham	04 04 00	
November 24, 16		Henry Lucus	04 04 00	
Griffin Harris Thomas Beaues	02 16 00			
Thomas Beaues	04 04 00	December 24, 1		
D 1 0/ 1/	NE 0	John Wheeler	04 04 00	
December 24, 16		February 24, 16	376-7.	
Edward Creeke	11 09 00	Matthew LaGreve		
February 24, 167				
Richard Pearse John Cleves	03 08 00	QUABAUG.		
John Cleves	05 09 06	February 24, 16		
MARLBOROUGI	•	Thomas Carter	03 18 00	
December 24, 1		READING.		
James Vales	01 11 00	November 24, 1		
MEDFIELD.		James Nickards	04 00	
December 24, 16	376.	January 24, 16	76-7	
		John Dix	01 02 02	



ROWLEY.			SUDBURY.				
October 24, 1676.			December 24, 1676.				
Zechariah Curtis	00 06	00	Jonathan Griffin	01	16	06	
			Jonathan Griffin Joseph Russell	00	04	00	
February 24, 167	-						
Thomas Lambert 01 05 06			December 24, 1676.				
			Henry Rice	01	15	00	
ROXBURY.							
November 24, 1676.			January 24, 1676–7.				
			Marke Perkins	00	17	00	
James Leavens	00 12	00					
December 24, 1676.			TOPSFIELD.				
Abraham Newell	00 00	06	January 24, 167				
			James Stanlee	01	11	08	
January 24, 167	6-7.		James Stanlee Joseph Estey	01	11	08	
Samuel Peirson	02 14	03					
			February 24, 1676-7.				
RUMNEYMARSH			Isaac Easty	03	07	06	
January 24, 167							
		03	WATERTOWN.				
Paul Grover	00 14	00	11000111001 21, 1				
SALEM.			Joseph Grant	01	01	00	
December 24, 1676.							
Samuel Sibly	14 05	00	December 24, 16				
Lawrence Dennis	01 02	00	Benony Larned James Cutting	03	13	06	
Lawrence Dennis John Beckett	00 11	05	James Cutting	02	14	00	
Isaac Williams	00 11	05					
Jonathan Prince	02 14		January 24, 167	6-7.			
Benjamin Home	01 18		William Larned Joseph Child Thomas Sawin ,	00	05	00	
Jacob Burton	10 02	02	Joseph Child	03	09	00	
Peter Hamon	02 00	00	Thomas Sawin ,	01	07	04	
Peter Hamon Thomas Alexander Samuel Ingerson	01 10	00	77-1	· C - E			
Bamuel Ingerson	02 14	00	February 24, 167			0.0	
January 24, 1676-7.			Thomas Underwood Obadiah Sautell	00	10	00	
Peter Rogers		10	Obadian Santen	00	12	00	
			WENHAM.				
February 24, 1676-7.			February 24, 1676-7.				
Josiah Brown	01 03	00	Dishard Hutter	0-1.	0.0	00	
Jonathan Very	05 02	00	Richard Hutton Richard Kemball	00	14	00	
Josiah Brown Jonathan Very Nathaniel Putman James Waitstill	02 00	00	Richard Remoan	00	17	00	
James Wanstin	02 05		WEYMOUTH.				
SALISBURY.			January 24, 1676-7.				
December 24, 1676. John Diggerson 01 15 06			William Mills	0-1.	10	10	
John Diggerson	01 15	06	Edward Skinner	0.5	08	00	
oong Diggerson	01 19	UU	. Langila Skinner	0.0	00	00	



				Taba Assis	01	10	0.4
WOBURN.				John Avis		13	
November 24, 1676.		Robert Butcher Fear-Not Shaw		14			
Joseph Right	00	14	03	Fear-Not Shaw	00	10	02
David Roberts	01	10	00				
				January 24, 16	76.		
December 24, 1676.			Richard Stains	05	14	00	
George Wilkinson	02	14	00	John Stuckley	02	06	02
e e				Ralph King	00	17	02
February 24, 1676-7.			Thomas Clark, Jr.	00	07	00	
James Simons		09	00	William Killeup	00	02	06
oumes simons	00	00	00	Daniel Travis		10	
			Samuel Andrews		08		
TOWNS NOT MENTIONED.		Thomas Wadduck		08			
October 24, 1676.			George Munjoy		00		
Samuel Harrington	00	15	10	George Welch		14	
John Chappell		05		Thomas Mitchell		14	
John Whitmarsh	02	14	00	John Drake		14	
Nathaniel Clapp	00	09	00	John Luce		14	
Nehemiah Clapp	00	09	00	Aaron Beard		08	
Humphrey	00	09	00	William Lee	-	08	
John Kenney	00	09	00	Hozea Mallett		02	
Eleazer Hawes	00	09	00	John Jent		08	
Bernard Capen	00	09	00	John Torry Joseph Read		10 14	
Jonathan Blackman	00			John Atkins		14	
Samuel Sheffield	00			Edward Cowles		11	
William Sables	00			Mathew Williams		01	
William Sheffield	00			Peter Indian		14	
John Blake	00			Samuel Holman		05	
Benjamin Smith	03			Thomas Cloies		08	
David Hartshorn	08			John Bucke			
Henry Raynor	15			Cromwell Indian		14	-
John Tebb	02			Michel Read		09	
Philip Mosarvy	01			Brattles Man		09	
Thomas Lock	04			Silvanus Davis	-	04	
Solomon Loud	08			Edward Brooks		0.4	
John Hudson Oliver Missatt	02			Josiah Baker	00	04	02
David Middleton	00			Samuel Woodee	00	04	02
Solomon Woodis	$\frac{03}{04}$			Thomas Rucke	00	04	02
Walter Cohone	01			William Downes	00	04	02
Thomas Clark	06			Joseph Hasee	00	04	02
Samuel Winch			00				
bannaer winen	01	10	00	February 24, 167	c 7		
December 24, 1676.							
Mongo Craford	10	0.7	00	Thomas Groce		09	
William Crane	11			Abraham Quiddington William Nicholson		03	
John Windoome	01			Nicholas Lash		08	
John Woolly	01			John Davis		01	
Richard Priest	18			Richard Willin		05	00
William Griggs	01			James Sawyer	-		
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There was a later Ledger, mentioned before, into which Mr. Hull carried the closing accounts of the war. These accounts, however, have little except names and wages, with very few additional facts. We remember that while these accounts of Mr. Hull are, by far, the most complete of any existing roll of early colonial soldiers, they give little besides the facts of services and wages. In the dingy old documents contained in the Mass. Archives, are many petitions, and other references, which speak of almost incredible hardships, of manly fortitude and devotion, which lift many a name here, out of the dull lists of "Military Service," and up into the ranks of heroes and patriots. Many such references appear in the foregoing pages, like that of Widow Mary Turner after Capt. Turner's death; that of Lieut. John Wyman and others. Many others whose names are not here, appear in the old documents referred to; like that of Benjamin Rockwood (Rocket), who, in a later Ledger, has credit for Military Service, in 1677. In Mass. Archives, vol. 72, pp. 622-624, several original documents are found showing that he was a soldier in Philip's war, was in service at the Westward, and then was sent, under Capt. Swett, to the Eastward; and at Blackpovnt, was twice severely wounded, and was confined in Salem Hospital for "a quarter of a year." A memorial of his townsmen testifies to the facts, and other evidence shows that he had "two bullets in his thigh." Much more is found about this last case, which, being typical of the times and men, doubtless had many parallels, if we knew all.



PLYMOUTH COLONY.

GOVERNORS, 1620-1692.

John Carver, November, 1620, to April, 1621.
William Bradford, 1621-1633, 1635-1637, 1639-1644, 1645-1657
Edward Wisslow, 1633, 1636, 1644.
Thomas Prence, 1634, 1638, 1657-1673.
Josiah Wisslow, 1673-1680.
Thomas Hinkley, 1681-1692. (Except the Andros administration.)

CAPT. MYLES STANDISH was the first military officer of New England, and, as long as he lived, the chief military leader of Plymouth colony. Came in the "Mayflower" to Plymouth with wife Rose, who died January 29, following the landing. By his second wife, Barbara, he had the five children mentioned in his will of March 7, 1656. Four sons, Alexander, Myles, Josiah, and Charles survived him, his daughter Lora already deceased. Through these sons a numerous posterity followed. He was one of the chief of the Pilgrims, and besides being always commander-in-chief of the military, was treasurer for twelve years, and assistant for some eighteen years. He died Oct. 3, 1056, and is buried in Duxbury, according to the request in his will. Upon the hill which formed a part of his Duxbury estate, known as "The Captain's Hill," stands the noble "Standish Monument," of granite, surmounted by a fine statue of Capt. Standish. He was regularly chosen as captain, February, 1621, though he was understood to be captain from the compact, Nov. 11, 1620.

Other prominent officers of the militia of Plymouth colony, from 1620 to 1678, with year of appointment:

CAPTAINS.

Thomas Willett, Plymouth,	1648	Josiah Winslow, Marshfield,	1655
Thomas Southworth, Plym-		William Poole, Taunton,	1638
	1659	William Hedge, Yarmouth,	1659
	1652	Thomas Howes, Yarmouth,	1674
Nath! Thomas, Marshfield,	1644	Matthew Fuller, Barnstable,	1668



· LIEUTENANTS.

William Holmes, Plymouth,	1635	William Palmer, Yarmouth,	1643
John Vassell, Scituate,	1652	Samuel Ryder, Yarmouth,	1653
James Torrey, Scituate,	1655	John Marchant, Yarmouth,	1670
Peregrine White, Marshfield,	1655	John Blackmore, Sandwich,	1638
Ephraim Morton, Plymouth,	1664	William Newland, Sandwich,	1647
Samuel Nash, Duxbury,	1645	John Ellis, Sandwich,	1653
Josias Standish, Bridgewater,	1660	Joseph Rogers, Eastham,	1647
George Macy, Taunton,	1665	Thomas Dimmock, Barn-	
Peter Hunt, Rehoboth,	1654	stable,	1643
Isaac Bucke, Scituate,	1670	Thomas Hayward, jr., Bridge	-
John Smith, Dartmouth,	1674	water,	1664
James W	yatt,	Taunton, 1651.	

In the year 1643 an official canvass of every town in Plymouth Colony was made, to find the men, between the ages of sixteen and sixty years, who were able to bear arms. These lists are preserved in the Plymouth Records, but I have not thought best to insert them here, as the men were not properly soldiers.

In 1643, a more compact and responsible military organization was established in the three towns, Plymouth, Duxbury, and Marshfield. While a careful canvass of the colony was made that year, and account taken of every man "able to bear arms," this company was made up of chosen men, and was independent. None were received unless they were freemen, honest, and of good repute, and by the election of the members of the company. Training exercises were begun and ended with prayer. Strict order was enjoined, and any infringement of rules was punished with dismission from the company. Each man, upon election, must provide himself with a musket or sword, rest, bandoleers, etc. Only one third of whole company were allowed to carry pikes. The following rules were in force:

"All who are elected chief officers in this military company shall be so titled and forever afterwards so reputed, except he obtain a higher place. That every man enlisted in this company shall pay sixpence a quarter for the use of the company. That when any one of this company dies, the company shall come together with their armes, upon warning, and 'interr his corps' as a soldier, and according to his place and quality. All must take the oath of fidelity before admission to the company. All postures of pike and muskett, motions rankes and files, &c., messengers, skirmishes, sieges, batteries, watches, sentinells, &c., must be always performed according to true military discipline."

The officers appointed over this company were,

Capt. Myles Standish, Lieut. Nath[†] Thomas, Nath[†] Samuel Nash, Nathew Fuller, Samuel Nash,

The entire militia of Plymouth Colony, in 1658, was organized into a regiment, of which Josiah Winslow, of Marshfield, was



chosen Major-Commandant, and he held that office until his election as governor of the colony, in 1673, when Mr. William Bradford was chosen to that place. A cavalry company was organized in the colony in 1659, with William Bradford, of Plymouth, Captain, John Freeman, of Eastham, Lieutenant, and Robert Stetson, of Scituate, Cornet: but for neglecting the requirements of the Court in procuring carbines, was disbanded by a general order June 1, 1675.

ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE.

Upon active military operations, officers and men were selected from the various towns by military committees for the special service. The first actual Indian war, after the earlier skirmishes, was the war with the Pequods, the story of which has been told above. The following document shows the action taken by the Court of Plymouth:

At the General Court held in Plymouth June 7, 1637,

It was enacted that the colony send forth a company to aid Massachusetts and Connecticut in their war against the Pequod Indians, in revenge of the innocent blood of the English which the Pequods have shed.

Thirty persons shall be sent for land service, and as many others as shall be sufficient to manage the barque.

Leiftenant William Holmes is elected as leader of the company.

Mr. Thomas Prence is elected to go with the company and to be for the "Counsell of War."

Names of the soldiers who volunteered to go upon the service, but were not called into active service.

Thomas Clarke,
Richard Church,
George Soule,
Samuell Jenney,
Constance Southerne,
John Barnes,
Mr. Nathaniell Thomas, and his
man,
Mr. Goarton,
John Cooke (if his family can be
provided),

provided),
Mr. Stephen Hopkins,
John Heyward,
Thomas Williams,
Nicholas Presland,
Thomas Pope,
Philip Delanoy,
George Kennerick,
John Irish,
Jacob Cooke,

John Philips,

Francis Billington, Henry Willis, Peregrine White, Caleb Hopkins, Samuell Nash, Robert Mendall, Henry Sampson, Thomas Redding, Love Brewster, Joseph Robinson, his man, Edward Holman, William Paddy, John Hearker. Richard Clough, Henry Ewell, Joseph Biddle, William Tubbs, Thomas Halloway, John Jenkins, Giles Hopkins, Thomas Goarton.



And those who will go if they be prest.

Mr. Thomas Hill,

James Coale.

THE EXPEDITION AGAINST THE NARRAGANSETS IN 1645.

The proportion and names of the souldiers in each Town sent forth in the late Expedition against the Narrohigansets and their Confederates.

The first Company, viz., sixteen, went forth Aug. 15, 1645.

Plymouth, six men, 17 days, £5:02:00.

John Tompson, Richard Foster, John Bundy, Nicholas Hodges, John Shawe, Samuell Cutbert.

Duxborough, six men, 17 days, £5:02:00.

Serji. Samuell Nash, William Brewster, William Clark, John Washborne, Nathaniell Chaundler, Edward Hall.

Marshfield, four men, 17 days, £3:08:00.

Luke Lillye, Twyford West, William Hale, Roger Cooke.

The second Company went forth 23^d. August, 1645.

Plymouth, two men, 13 days, £1:06:00.

John Jenkins, John Harman.

Sandwich, five men, 13 days, £3:05:00.

 $\begin{array}{cccc} {\rm Thomas} \ {\rm Burges}, & {\rm Thomas} \ {\rm Greenfield}, & {\rm Laurence} \ {\rm Willis}, \\ {\rm Thomas} \ {\rm Johnson}, & {\rm Rob^{te}} \ {\rm Allen}. \end{array}$

Scittuate, eight men, 13 days, £5:04:00.

John Turner, Hercules Hill, Edward Saunders, Nathaneill Moate, John Robinson, Richard Toute.

Barnstable, four men, 14 days, £2:16:00.

John Foxwell, John Russell, Jonathan Hatch, Francis Crocker.

Yarmouth, five men, 14 days, £3:10:00, drumer $\epsilon xtra$, 0:5:00.

William Northcoate, William Twyning, Teague Jonaes, Henry Wheildon, William Chase, drummer.

Both companies returned Tuesday, Sept. 2, 1645, and were disbanded the following day.



Each soldier on going forth was supplied with 1 lb. of powder, and 3 lbs. of bullets, and 1 lb. of tobacco.

Taunton, Rehoboth, alias Seacunck, were not required to furnish men, as they were frontier towns and "billetted" the "souldiers" while out.

The items charged in the accounts of this expedition are of interest as showing the kind of supplies used and the prices.

It: for a line to Mr. Hanbury £00:02:00.

It: 3 Dussen knives given to messengers £00:02s:06d.

" For Casting of Shott, 5s. It: Drumheads, 7s.

" Spent of the Money and beads the Captain had, £02:05:05.

"Work done by Gorame, £00:04:00. It: James Coles bill £14:02:00.

" A horsehire 11 days £00:11:00

" 25 lbs of powder taken at the barke by the Captain to bring the men home again . £02:10:00.

" 75 lbs of biskett the Capt. had at the barke to "vittaile his men homewards" for which is allowed one hundred weight £00:16s:00d.

" Allowed towards the carriage of provisions to Seacunck, which came by sea out of the Bay £02:00:00. Tobacco allowed 00:27s:04d. The sum total was £66:03:03.

The provisions were carried in canvas bags.

While the organization of the militia was efficiently kept up in Plymouth Colony from 1643 onward, and large preparations were made in 1653 and 1654 for war with the Dutch at Man-

hattan, no actual hostilities occurred until June, 1675. In 1653 a "Council of War" was appointed to take charge of all preparations for the expedition against the Dutch. council consisted of Mr. William Bradford, President, Mr. Thomas Prence. Mr. John Alden, Mr. Timothy Hatherly, Capt. Myles Standish, Capt. Thomas Willett, Capt. James Cudworth, Mr. John Browne and Lieut. Thomas Southworth.

These appointed an expedition to be sent out to join the other colonies, consisting of sixty men from Plymouth, with Capt. Myles Standish as Commander, Matthew Fuller as Lieutenant,

and Hezekiah Hoare as Ensign.

Two barks were also to be impressed for the expedition, viz.: "The barque which George Watson sayleth, with himself as master, and John Green and John Smith of same barque." The expedition was still in preparation, June 20, 1654, when a full commission was granted to Capt. Standish to prosecute the war. Peace was settled between the two nations before the colonies became actively engaged.

The account of Philip's War in the preceding pages necessarily followed the fortunes of the officers and companies of Massachusetts, as the Treasurer's credits to these were the



basis of my work. No such lists have been found pertaining to Plymouth or Connecticut Colonies, and the particulars of the services of the soldiers of these colonies have not had contemporary chroniclers, like Hubbard, Mather, and the authors of the "Letters to London," so often quoted in this volume.

In Philip's War, Plymouth Colony took the initiative, and had men in the field several days before the arrival of the Massa-

chusetts companies at Swansey.

In the Records of the United Commissioners, vol. II. p. 362, is a letter from Josiah Winslow and Thomas Hinckley, recounting the events, in the Plymouth Jurisdiction, leading up to the outbreak of the war, the first overt act being the rifling of the house of Job Winslow at Swansey, on June 18th or 19th, 1675. On the next day, Sunday, June 20th, the Indians burned several houses at Swansey while the people were at church, upon the alarm of which, and a threatened general assault, Plymouth Colony sent a force of soldiers to protect the town. On the 24th of June Thomas Layton (Mr. Hubbard says Layton Archer) was killed at Fallriver, and on the 25th, several at Swansey.

The Plymouth forces, hastily collected, rendezvoused at Taunton, June 21st, under command of Major Bradford, and next day marched, under Capt. James Cudworth, to Swansey, where they were garrisoned at the houses of Mr. John Brown and Rev. John Miles. There the Massachusetts forces soon joined them, and, the war being in the Plymouth Jurisdiction, Capt. Cudworth

became Commander-in-Chief, with the title of Major.

Mr. Hubbard relates that a company of seventeen men from Bridgewater were the first to arrive at Swansey, and were immediately ordered to Matapoiset to strengthen Bourne's garrison. wherein were seventy persons, of whom but sixteen were men. At this time there were many "strange Indians" mixed in with Philip's own, and these were reckless tramps and adventurers. mostly. One of the requests of the Plymouth authorities was that these should be sent away by Philip. Philip himself had many good friends among the people living near him, with whom he had had dealings, and found them kind and honest. said to have given strict orders not to disturb them or their families. Among these were Mr. John Brown, Capt. Thomas Willett, and Mr. James Leonard of Taunton; and when James Brown, son of the above, was sent to Philip to persuade peace, while many of his warriors urged that he be retained as captive, or be put to death, Philip sent him home safely guarded. The house of Capt. Willett seems to have been undisturbed, and when, a year later, his son Hezekiah Willett was killed by some strange Indians, it was without the knowledge of Philip or the Wampanoags. Jethro, a negro slave of Capt. Willett's, was taken at the same



time as a captive, but escaped afterwards, in good time to warn the English of a raid planned by the Indians. His story was that the Indians, who killed his young master and made him captive, carried the head of Willett to Philip, who, with his people, was greatly grieved, and, taking the head, mourned over it, and showed it great honor, as for a good friend, combing the hair and ornamenting it with beads of wampum.

Mr. Hubbard relates that the first persons killed in the war were the six men who ventured from Bourne's garrison with carts to take some corn from a barn, "one Jones" being the only name I have found of those slain. The people at this place were

soon after taken over to Rhode Island.

In June, 1675, Taunton was attacked by a prowling band of the savages, and the houses of James Walker and John Tisdell were burned, and Tisdell was killed. At the same time two soldiers from Eastham, serving there, were killed; their names were John Knowles and Samuel Atkins. In May, 1676, in that part of Taunton which became Raynham, six men were killed while at work in the field planting, viz., Henry Andrews, James Bell, Sergt. James Phillips, and in another part of the town Edward Bobit, or Babbitt; while two youths were taken captive. At Eel River, near Plymouth, March 12, 1675-6, the house of William Clark was assaulted by a small party of Indians led by Tatoson, and Mrs. Clark and an infant, with eight other persons from other families, were killed. At the trial of divers Indians captured by Major Bradford, were several who had a hand with Tatoson, from whose confessions the names of all were Although these Indians, most of them, surrendered under the proclamation of the Governor, those who had had any part in the war were mostly sold into servitude out of the country. often with their wives and children, while those who had killed any of the English were at once put to death. Among those who surrendered was one called "John Num," who was accused of having part in the Clark murders, and also confessed that he was with the company which killed Jacob Mitchell and his wife, and John Pope, at Dartmouth. Of the whole number of the perpetrators of the Clark's House outrage, eleven in all, the names were proved and stand upon record. Those captured, tried, and beheaded were the said "John Num," "Woodcocke," "Quanapawhan;" while Keweenam was proved an accessory and also executed. Tatoson was hunted down, but died in the woods, uncaptured.

The "Entertaining History" of Philip's War, written by Benjamin Church, of Little Compton, Rhode Island, gives many interesting details, in his own personal experience, and casual references and items, which would otherwise be lost. Being joined with the Plymouth forces his stories relate mostly to their operations, or those in which he, personally, played the



leading part. The invasion of Poeasset by Capt. Mathew Fuller and himself, with thirty-six men, his right, with his small party, at Punketees Neck with several hundred savages, until rescued by Captain Roger Golding's vessel, is a story of intense interest; and by his graphic descriptions of events, and oftentimes garrulous narration of personal adventures, he has preserved the very details concerning men and things, which the historians have missed. Many have taken him as a historian of the war, and neglected the real authorities, like Hubbard, Mather, and Goekin. His narrative is simply a compilation of an old man's reminiscences, written out some forty years after their actual occurrence, and we can readily understand that the long years and the frequent relation of his experiences would tend to make his memory fertile in graphic details and personal achievements which contemporaries knew nothing about.

Capt. Nathaniel Thomas wrote a letter from Mounthope garrison on August 10th, with details of the course of events upon Philip's escape, July 29th, and does not mention Mr. Church. The story, nearly as Capt. Thomas tells it, is followed in the introductory chapter. He mentions that "thirty Stonington men" joined in the pursuit at Rehoboth, and says that in the fight with Philip's and Weetamoo's warriors at "Nipsachick," the Mohegans "stripped" the enemies whom they had slain, and "skinned their heads." The captive whom they wounded and took told them that Philip, Tokomona (brother of Awashonks), and the "Black Sachem," were with the enemy; that Awashonks had gone over among the Narragansets at the beginning of the war; that Nimrod was slain in the fight. Capt. Thomas relates that Sergt. John Parker and William Porey were wounded, also, in this skirmish, while twenty-three of the enemy were killed. He severely criticises Capt. Henchman for neglecting to pursue Philip immediately, as they would have done had not Henchman come up and taken command.

October 4th, 1675, the Plymouth Court reëlected Major James Cudworth as General, or Commander-in-Chief, of the forces of that colony in active service, Sergeant Robert Barker to be Lieutenant of his particular company, Captain John Gorum to be Captain of the other company, and Ensign Jonathan Sparrow to be his Lieutenant. Lieut. John Brown is appointed to be Capt. of the guard at Mounthope, with a new company of twenty-five men to be impressed in the various towns, and the guard now there to be released. Capt. Mathew Fuller was appointed to be surgeon-general of all the forces of the colony. The address of the Plymouth Court to the "Gentleman Souldiers." of the Colony, upon the mustering of the United Colonies' forces in December, 1675, for the Narraganset campaign, is at once a gracious summons to duty and a fervent appeal to loyalty, with promises that the wages of all the soldiers shall be secured, and



their wants and interests provided for, and that volunteers shall be regarded with special favor.

Govr. Josias Winslow was, as we know, appointed Commanderin-Chief over the whole expedition, while Major Bradford was superior officer of the Plymouth forces and Capt. John Gorum

captain of the second company.

From the "History of Rehoboth," by Leonard Bliss, we gather the following list of the names of those soldiers belonging to Rehoboth who served in the Narraganset campaign:

John Fitch, Thomas Kendrick, John Redeway, John Ide, Jonathan Wilmarth, Jonathan Sabin, John Martin, Joseph Doggett.

Jasiel Perry, John Carpenter, John Miller, jun., Sampson Mason, jun.

Under Major Bradford.

Preserved Abell, Samuel Miller, James Redeway, Nicholas Ide, Thomas Read, Samuel Perry, Silas Allin, Enoch Hunt, Noah Mason, Israel Read, Nathaniel Wilmarth. Stephen Paine, jun., Samuel Palmer, Samuel Walker, Samuel Sabin, George Robinson,

The above list is confirmed by comparison with Narraganset No. 4, above, except some variations in the spelling, as readily seen. Gen. E. W. Pierce, in his valuable historical researches, has found two other names, both ancestors of his, who were Narraganset soldiers, viz., Isaac Peirce and William Hoskins. These are both found in the list of No. 4, Peirce at Middleborough and Hoskins, given as Hopkins, of Taunton, both alive, 1734.

In March, 1675–6, we find Plymouth Colony promptly trying to redeem her promises to the soldiers who were in the expedition, by the granting of several tracts of land to the value of one thousand pounds; said tracts being located at Showamett, Assonett Neck, Assowamsett, and Agawam and Sepecan, while one thousand pounds was assessed upon the towns of the colony for the present help of those whose condition calls for immediate

help instead of payment in lands.

There is a tradition that one of the first men slain by the Indians, at Swansey, June 24th, 1675, was Joseph Lewis, a resident of that town, who was buried there on that day. There is a story that, on the same day with Peirse's tight nine men became detached from a company, or, possibly, were hastening to the relief of Capt. Peirse, when they were ambushed by a great body of Indians, and all slain and left unburied at a place known as "Camp Swamp," and, sometimes, from this disaster, as "Nine Men's Misery." On the records of Rehoboth are the names of four men who were slain on March 26th, 1676. Two of these



were John Fitch (Fitz), ir., and John Miller, ir. The other two were Benj. Buckland and John Reed, jr. These last were not mentioned in the letter of Rev. Noah Newman, above noted, as being in Capt. Peirse's company. It may be that these were of the nine slain at "Camp Swamp," and that the account of the latter disaster had not reached him when, March 27th, he wrote his letter.

In the spring of 1676 there was an effort made by the Council of War in Plymouth Colony to raise a force of three hundred men for the defence of their towns, then threatened by the wandering tribes, straggling, in parties, back towards their former homes. This attempt failed, but in June, following, a force of one hundred and fifty English and fifty Indians was put into the field under Major Bradford, and did active service in protecting the southern towns and capturing the wandering parties of savages, being joined, in July, by Capt. Mosely's company and Capt. Brattle's "Troop."

The story of Philip's capture, and the closing events of the war, have been told. The list of those soldiers who had part in the Narraganset Fort Fight are found in the roll of Township No. 7. We find that some of the Plymouth soldiers preferred to be paid in land, according to the offer of the Court. Those of Scituate made application, and their names are preserved and are as follows:

Lieut. Isaac Bucke, Zachariah Daman, John Daman, Richard Prowtey, Corp. John Bucke, Richard From Thomas Clarke, Jonathan Jackson. William Hatch. Walther Bridges. Richard Dwelley, Joseph Garrett, Benjamin Woodworth. (The last named, "per" Charles Stockbridge.)

CONNECTICUT COLONY.

GOVERNORS AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS, 1639-1689.

						First Chosen.	Last Chosen.	Served.
JOHN HAYNES .						1639	1653	8 yrs.
EDWARD HOPKINS							1654	7 yrs.
George Wyllys							-	1 yr.
THOMAS WELLES							1658	2 yrs.
JOHN WEBSTER								1 yr.
John Winthrop							1676	18 yrs.
WILLIAM LIETE							1683	7 yrs.
ROBERT TREAT .							1687	
[SIR EDMUND ANI	ORO	ss]	٠	٠		1687	1689	2 yrs.



DEPUTY OR LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS.

					First Chosen.	Last Chosen.	Served.
ROGER LUDLOW					1639	1648	3 yrs.
JOHN HAYNES .							5 yrs.
GEORGE WYLLYS					1641		1 yr.
EDWARD HOPKINS					1643	1653	6 yrs.
THOMAS WELLES					1654	1659	4 yrs.
JOHN WEESTER					1656		1 yr.
JOHN WINTHROP					1658	-	1 yr.
John Mason .					1660		
WILLIAM LEETE					1669	1676	7 yrs.
ROBERT TREAT .					1676	1808	17 yrs.

MILITARY AFFAIRS IN CONNECTICUT COLONY.

CAPT. JOHN MASON was the first, and, during his life, the chief military officer of Connecticut. He was trained as a soldier in the Netherlands, under Sir Thomas Fairfax. He was born in England in 1600, and came to Dorchester as early as 1632, at which time he is first mentioned on the records as in command of an expedition for the capture of the pirate, Bull. He is called Lieutenant, his rank under Fairfax, doubtless. He removed, in 1635, to Windsor, Connecticut, with Mr. Warham's company, and after that was identified with all the leading events in the history of the Connecticut towns. He was the commander, and the hero, in the Pequod war, as we have noted above. From 1637-1641, he was representative to the General Court, Assistant from 1641-1659, then Deputy Governor to 1669. He was appointed Major of the militia of Connecticut Colony, holding that office until his death, Jan. 30, 1672, in his 72d year. He removed from Windsor to Saybrook, 1647, and from thence to Norwich upon its settlement in 1659. wife — died at Windsor. He married second wife — Peck, at Windsor, July, 1639, and had, perhaps, Isabel, certainly Priscilla, b. October, 1641; Samuel, July, 1644; John, August, 1646; Rachel, October, 1648; Amy, June, 1650; Daniel, April, 1652; Elizabeth, August, 1654. Isabel, m. June 17, 1658, John Bissell, of Windsor; Priscilla, m. Oct. 8, 1664, Rev. James Fitch; Elizabeth, m. May 8, 1671, Thomas Norton; Rachel, m. June 12, 1678, Charles Hill. John was the captain of the Norwich Company, at the Narraganset Fort Fight, and was there so severely wounded that he died next year. Samuel settled at Stonington, and, in 1673, was Lieutenant of the militia there, and, in 1683, Assistant. Capt. Mason left a numerous posterity through sons and daughters. Hon, Jeremiah Mason, the eminent jurist of Massachusetts, was doubly descended from the Major, through Daniel, the son, and Priscilla (Mason) Fitch, the daughter.



The following is a list of names of those soldiers of Windsor who were in the Pequod Fort Fight in 1637:

Capt. John Mason,
Sergt. Benedict Alvord,
Thomas Barber,
Thomas Buckland,
George Chappel,

John Dyer,
James Eggleston,
Nath'. Gillet.
Thomas Gridley,
Thomas Stiles.

Sergt. Thos. Stares, Richard Osborn, Thos. Parsons, William Thrall,

A Mr. Hedge and Sergt. Nicholas Palmer are also mentioned,

and Edward Pattison, of Saybrook.

The following soldiers of Hartford received grants of land for services in the Pequod war. Their names are preserved in the ancient Town Record of Hartford:

John Brunson,
William Blumfield,
Thomas Bull,
Thomas Bunce,
Thomas Barnes,
Peter Blachford,
Benjamin Burr,
John Clarke,
Thomas Root,
Rev. Samuel Stone,
John Warner,

Nicholas Clarke, Capt. John Cullick, Sergt. Philip Davis, Nicholas Disborough, William Heyden, Thomas Hales, Samuel Hales, John Hills, Thomas Hollybut, Thomas Spencer, George Steele.

John Halloway,
Jonathan Ince,
Benjamin Munn,
Nicholas Olmstead,
Richard Olmstead,
John Purchas,
William Pratt,
William Philips,
Thomas Stanton,
Samuel Whitehead,

The above list is copied from "Hartford in the Olden Time," by "Scaeva." The author adds the names of Thomas Munson, Stephen Hart, Zachary Field, and William Cornwell as probable names to be added to the list.

FIRST CONNECTICUT CAVALRY.

In 1658, Major John Mason, Commander-in-Chief of the military forces of Connecticut Colony, organized a troop of horse of thirty-seven members:

Capt. Richard Lord, of Hartford.
Lieut. Daniel Clark, of Windsor.
Cornet John Allyn, Hartford.

(Nicholas Olmstead, of Hartford.
Richard Treat, of Wethersfield.
Samuel Marshall, of Windsor.
Quartermaster Thomas Welles, of Hartford.



Of Hartford.
Saml. Wyllis,
Jacob Mygatt,
Jonathan Gilbert,
John Stedman,
James Steele,
Daniel Pratt,
Andrew Warner,
William Edwards,
Richard Fellows,
Robert Reeve.

Of Windsor.
Thomas Allyn,
John Bissell,
George Phelps,
Stephen Terry,
William Hayden,
John Hosford,
John Williams,
Nath! Loomis,
Thomas Loomis,
Aaron Cooke.

David Milton,
Simon Wolcott,
Thomas Strong,
John Moses,
John Porter,
Of Wethersfield.
John Latimer,
John Belden,
John Chester,
Anthony Wright,
John Palmer.

In 1672, this troop contained sixty members. The successive Captains of this troop were:

Richard Lord commissioned 1658, Hartford. Daniel Clarke commissioned 1664, Windsor. Samuel Talcott commissioned 1681, Wethersfield. James Richards, Lieut., 1664.

The office of Sergeant-Major was created in 1672, and Major John Talcott was the first to hold that office and title in Connecticut. But Major Edward Palmes seems to have succeeded to the authority of Major John Mason, by vote of June 2d, 1672. In 1673, the year after Major Mason's death, the Court appointed a Major and second officer over the militia of each county, viz.: for Hartford; Major Talcott, and Capt. Benj. Newbery, 2d; New Haven, Major John Nash, and Capt. Treat, 2d; for Fairfield County, Major Nathan Gold, and Capt. Wm. Curtice, 2d; New London, Major John Winthrop, and Lieut. James Avery, 2d.

In each county the company of the shire town was considered the first company, and under the immediate command of the Major. The Colonial Records show that the several counties raised cavalry companies or "troops," just before Philip's War. Of the New London troop, Benjamin Brewster was the Lieutenant, and Daniel Mason (son of Major John) was Quartermaster. They

were commissioned in October, 1673.

August 14th, 1673, with the prospect of a war with the Dutch, the Court ordered that the respective Troops in the colony, with "500 Dragoones, be prepared and fitted for service forthwith." In case of sending a force out of the country, the following officers were appointed: Hartford County, Benj. Newbery, Capt.; Nich. Olmstead. Lieut.; John Wadsworth, Ensign. New Loxdon, James Avery, Capt.; Thos. Tracy, Lieut.; John Denison, Ensign. New Haven, Robert Treat, Capt.; Thos. Munson, Lieut.; Saml. Newton, Ensign. Farrello, Mr. Thos. Fitch, Capt.; Jehu Burr, Lieut.; Matthew Sherwood, Ensign. The following November Major Talcott was appointed Commander-in-chief of all the forces; Major Robert Treat, second in command; Thos.



Bull superseded Capt. Newbury; Wm. Curtice was appointed instead of Mr. Fitch; Capt. Nash succeeded Major Treat; and

Thos. Trowbridge was made Commissary.

In 1675, the Captain of the New Haven Company was William Roswell, and the Lieutenant, Thomas Trowbridge. In the militia, the quota of a full company was sixty-four men, and entitled the company to a captain. Thirty-two members gave right to a lieutenant, and twenty-four to sergeant. A similar rule, perhaps, applied to a troop, with different numbers.

WINDSOR TROOPERS (1676).

In an old "Book of Rates," at Windsor, is found the following list of troopers:

Capt. John Bissell. John Bissell ir. Nathl. Bissell. Capt. Daniel Clark. Edward Chapman. Thomas Strong.

John Horsford. Anthony Hoskins. Daniel Hayden. Joseph Loomis. Nathl. Loomis. John Terry.

Capt. Saml. Marshall. John Moses. Thomas Moore. Mr. John Porter. Mr. Henry Sanders. Mr. Henry Wolcott.

The militia officers in Connecticut, just previous to Philip's War, were as follows, so far as records show:

Farmington. — William Lewis, Capt.; John Standly, Lieut., 1674. Gullford. — George Bartlet, Lieut.: Saml. Kitchel, Ensign, 1665; John Graves, Ensign, 1667. HARTFORD. - John Allyn, Capt.; Thomas Watts, Lieut.; Nathl.

Standley, Ensign, 1673-5.

MILFORD. - Robert Treat, Capt.; William Fowler, Lieut., 1665-6.

New Haven. - John Nash, Capt.; Thomas Munson, Lieut., 1665; and John Miles, Ensign, 1673. Nath!. Merriman, Sam!. Whitehead, Roger Allyn, and James Bishop, Serg!s. LYME. — William Waller, Lieut., 1671.

Norwich. — Francis Griswold, Lieut.; Thos. Tracy, Ensign, 1665; John Mason, Lieut.; Thomas Leflingwell, Ensign, 1672. Norwalk. — John Ohnsted, Ensign, 1674.

New London. - Waitstill Winthrop, Capt.; James Avery, Lieut.; Gabriel Harris, Ensign, 1665.

Rye. - Joseph Horton, Lieut., 1666.

Saybrook. — Robt. Chapman, Capt., 1675; Wm. Pratt, Lieut.; William Waller, Ensign, 1661.

Stamford. — Jona. Sellick, Capt., 1675.

STONINGTON. - Thomas Minor, Capt., 1665; Samuel Mason, Lieut., 1672.

STRATFORD. — William Curtis, Capt.; Joseph Judson, Lieut.; Stephen Barrett, Ensign, 1672.

Wallingtond. - Nathaniel Merriam, Lieut., 1672; Sam! Munson, Ensign, 1675.

Wethersfield. - Samuel Wells, Capt., 1670; John Chester, Lieut. 1672; William Goodrich, Ensign, 1665.



MASSACHUSETTS COLONY.

GOVERNORS AND DEPUTY GOVERNORS.

John Endicott, 1629, 1644, 1649, 1655-1665.
John Winthrop, 1630-1634, 1637-1640, 1642-1644, 1646-1649.
Thomas Dudley, 1634, 1640, 1645, 1650.
John Haynes, 1635.
Henry Vane, 1636.
Richard Bellingham, 1641, 1654, 1665-1672.
John Leverett (acting), 1672.
John Leverett, 1673-1679.
Simon Bradstreet, 1679-1686.

DEPUTY GOVERNORS.

Thomas Dudley, 1629-'34, '37-'40, '46-'50, '51-'53. Roger Ludlow, 1634.
Richard Bellingham, 1635, '40, '53, '55-'65.
John Winthrop, 1636, '44-'46.
John Endicott, 1641-'44, '50, '54.
Francis Willoughby, 1665-'71.
John Leverett, 1671-'73.
Samuel Symonds, 1673-'78.
Simon Bradstreet, 1678-1686.

EARLIEST MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Two soldiers came to America, in the company with Winthrop, who were employed to instruct the men of the new colony in military tactics, and direct any warlike operations which might become necessary in defence of their settlement. The first was John Underhill, who had been an officer in the army in the Netherlands, and had seen service in Ireland and at Cadiz. We have had some notice of him in the account of the Pequod war, in which he bore an honorable part. He joined the church in Boston soon after his arrival, and, until after the Pequod war, was in authority and good standing in the colony. Was chosen deputy in 1634. He was evidently impatient of civil and ecclesiastical authority, and did not easily endure command. He became an adherent of Mrs. Hutchinson, and for taking sides with Mr. Wheelwright, was disfranchised, with many other notables. Governor Winthrop devotes much space to the details of Captain Underhill's trial by both court and church. He is shown to have been not only unsound in doctrine and disobedient to the authority of the magistrates, but dissolute in character. He evidently was a handsome and somewhat dashing officer, making much of his soldierly appearance and abilities. He was popular, too, and of winning address, for when he was banished from Massachusetts and went to join Wheelwright at Exeter he was



chosen governor by the people at Dover in place of Burdet. After a turbulent rule of some two years he was removed from his office, and returned to Boston, and having made humble confession in church and court, obtained pardon for past offence, and soon after removed to the Dutch settlements on Hudson River, where the governor gave him command of a company against their Indian enemies. After the decisive battle at Stricklands Plain. which settled the Dutch supremacy over the Indians, Captain Underhill settled at Flushing, L.I. He was afterwards in public service, and received a large grant of land from the Indians. which has remained down to a late day in the possession of his Through his sons John and Nathaniel (perhaps descendants. others), he has had many and honorable descendants of his name. and through his daughters, of other names, equally respectable. In his will, of Sept. 16, 1671, he calls himself of Killingworth, Oyster Bay. His story of the Pequod war is valuable. Of the other soldier, Daniel Patrick, who came over with the Winthrop fleet, Governor Winthrop writes: "He was entertained by us out of Holland, where he was a common soldier of the Prince's guard, to exercise our men. We made him a captain and maintained him. Afterwards he was admitted to the church at Watertown and made a freeman. But he grew very proud and vicious, for though he had a wife of his own, a good Dutch woman, and comely, yet he despised her and followed after other women." It seems that he was haughty and insolent in manner, dissolute in character, and when threatened with the process of law fled to the Dutch at Manhattan. He served in the Pequod war, though with small credit, and seems to have been mixed up with some conflict between the Dutch and Indians in 1643, in which he had dealt treacherously with a company of the Dutch and had to flee. He came, it is said, to the house of his old comrade, Underhill, then living near Stamford, Conn. The Dutch pursued him there, and when their leader, in a personal interview, was grossly insulted by Patrick, he shot him through the head.

Some intimation of the warlike preparations made by the Massachusetts company, before embarking, may be seen by the following item, preserved in the records:

26: February, 1628.

Necessaries conceaved meete for our intended voiadge for Newe Eng-

land to bee prepared forewith.

For our 5 peeces of ordnance, long sence bought and paid ffor, John Humphry is intreated & doth promise forewith to cause to bee delyvered to Samuel Sharpe, who is to take care - having fytt cariadges made for them. Armes for 100 men: -

3 drums, to ech 2 pere of hedds; 2 ensignes; 2 partizans, for capten & lieftenant; 3 halberts, for 3 sarjants; 80 bastard musketts, wth snaphances, four ffoote in the barrill, without rests; 6 long ffowlinge perces wth muskett boare, 6 ffoote longe, 1; 4 longe ffowlinge peeces, wth



bastard muskett boare, $5\frac{1}{2}$ froote longe; 10 ffull musketts, 4 froote barrill, wth matchcocks and rests; —90 bandeleeres, for the musketts, ech wth a bullett bag; —10 horne filaskes, for the longe fowling peeces, to hould a lb. a peece; & 100 swoordes, and belts; —60 corsletts, & 60 pikes; —12 bblls powder, 8 barrills for the forte, —4 for small shott; shott 1 lb. to a bandeleere; 8 peeces of land ordnance for the forte, whereof 5 alreddy prouided; —nameley: 2 demie culverings, 30 C. weight a peece, 3 sackers, ech weinge 25 C. wt; — to prouide; —1 whole culvering, as longe as may bee, 2 small peeces iron drakes; For great shott, a flitt proporcion to the ordnance; A sayne, being a nett to fish with.

For the first years after the settlement of the towns of the Massachusetts Colony, the military operations were confined to keeping "guards and watches," and the organization of the militia was incomplete. Casual mention, here and there in the Colonial Records, show that many of the towns had officers with the titles of Captain, etc., but of whose election no record is found.

For instance we find, July 26, 1631:

Mr. Francis Aleworth is chosen Lieftenant with Capt. Southcoate.

We find no record of his choice to that office. It was Richard Southcoate of Dorchester. At the first Captains Underhill and Patrick were in command of the military in all the towns, with weekly training-days in charge of sergeants under their direction. Sept. 28, 1630, a tax of £50 was levied upon the towns, from Watertown to Weymouth, to support these officers. In 1631, Capt. Underhill held, each month, two general trainings of his company at Boston and Roxbury, and of those at "Charlton, Misticke and the newe-towne" at another date. A better organization of the militia was effected in 1636, and a better idea may be given by arranging names according to that appointment, though some of the officers were chosen earlier. Three regiments were organized, one for each County, Suffolk, Middlesex and Essex.

OFFICIAL ROSTER OF MASSACHUSETTS MILITIA.

FIRST REGIMENT.

Col. John Winthrop, Sr., 1636. Lieut. Col. Thomas Dudley, Sr., 1636.

Companies.

Boston. — Capt. John Underhill, 1630; Lieut. Richard Morris, 1633; Lieut. Edward Gibbons, Ensign Robert Harding, 1636.

ROXBURY. — Lieut. Richard Morris, 1634, and at the Castle.

DORCHESTER.—Capt. Israel Stoughton, Lieut. Nathaniel Duncan, Ensign John Holman, 1636-7.



In the other towns, Hingham, Weymouth, etc., officers were not at this time chosen.

SECOND REGIMENT.

Col. John Havnes, Cambridge. Lieut. Col. Roger Harlakenden, 1636.

Charlestown. - Capt. Robert Sedgwick, 1636-7.

Newtowne. - Capt. George Cooke, Lieut. William Spencer, Ensign Samuel Shepard, 1636.

WATERTOWNE. - Capt. William Jennison, 1636-7.

Concord. — Lieut. Simon Willard, 1636-7.

Dedham. - No officers mentioned.

THIRD REGIMENT.

Col. John Endecot, of Salem. Lieut. Col. John Winthrop, Jr., 1636.

SAUGUS. - Capt. Nathl. Turner, 1634; Lieut. Daniel Howe, Ensign Richard Walker, 1636-7.

SALEM. - Capt. Wm. Traske, Lieut. Richard Davenport, Ensign Thomas Reade, 1636-7.

Ipswich. — Capt. Daniel Denison, 1636-7; John Whittingham, Lieut.: Thomas Howlett, Ensign.

Newbury. — Capt. John Spencer, 1636-7; Lieut. Edward Woodman, May, 1637.

In 1638 "The Military Company of the Massachusetts" was organized, and granted special encouragement by the Court. Robert Keayne was chosen Captain. This was the first independent military company in Boston, and became an element of great influence. From the first it has been made up of picked men. It was a training school and authority in military art; and membership in its ranks became a badge of honorable military service. This company became the celebrated "Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company," the oldest and most notable military organization now existing in America. A complete history of this company has been lately prepared with great care by Rev. Oliver A. Roberts.

In the year 1644 the title "Colonel" was dropped, and "Major" became the title of the chief regimental officers. Serjeant Major General was the title of the chief military officer in the colony. Thomas Dudley, Esq., was the first chosen to that office, May 29, 1644. The officer was chosen from the assistants, and was a member of the General Court. In June, 1645, the choice of Majors of Regiments was left to the popular votes of each Regiment. The title Major General soon took the place of the

former, Serjeant being dropped.



MAJOR GENERALS OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Thomas Dudley, 1644-'45. John Endecott, 1645-'49. Edward Gibbons, 1649-'52, and 1654-'55. Robert Sedgwick, 1652-'53.

Daniel Denison, 1653-'54, 1655-'61, 1662-'63, and 1674-1681. Humphrey Atherton, 1661-'62. John Leverett, 1663-1673. Daniel Gookin, 1681-1686.

Nathaniel Stearns.

The Colonial records are somewhat meagre and uncertain in relation to the organization of the local military companies through many years.

About the time of the opening of Philip's War, there were regi-

ments, or parts of regiments, in each of the six counties.

A roster of the officers of these regiments, as far as can be learned from the records, may be of interest:

SUFFOLK REGIMENT.

Major, Thomas Clarke.

BOSTON COMPANIES.

Capt.	Lieut.	Ensign.
1st. James Oliver.	Elisha Hutchinson.	Ephraim Turner.
2d. Thomas Savage.	Benjamin Gillam.	•
3d. Thomas Clarke.	Thomas Lake.	Daniel Turell.
4th. William Hudson.	Nathaniel Reynolds.	Richard Woody.
5th. Daniel Henchman.	Hugh Drury.	John Wing.
6th. John Richards.	Matthew Barnard.	Anthony Checkley.
7th. Thomas Clarke, jr.	Enoch Greenleaf.	Penn Townsend.
8th. John Hull.	Theophilus Frary.	Benjamin Thirston.
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	ROXBURY.	
Isaac Johnson.	Samuel Ruggles.	John Boles (?).
	DORCHESTER.	
Hopestill Foster.	John Capen.	Richard Hall.
	BRAINTREE.	
Richard Brackett.	Edmund Quiney.	Robert Twelves.
HICHAIC DIACKELL.	Lamana Quincy.	Robert I welves.
	DEDHAM.	

Medfield. — George Barber, Capt.; Henry Adams, Lieut. Wexmoutn. — John Holbrook, Lieut. Hingham. — Joshua Hubbard, Lieut.

William Avery.

Daniel Fisher.

SUFFOLK TROOP.

William Davis, Captain.

Thomas Brattle, Lieutenant.

Thomas Swift, Quartermaster.

Jacob Elliot, Cornet.

Timothy Dwight, Corporal.



MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Major Daniel Gookin.

CAMBRIDGE.

Capt. Lieut.

Ensign.

Daniel Gookin. James Trowbridge.

Joseph Cooke (?).

CHARLESTOWN.

Lawrence Hammond. Joshua Tidd.

John Cutler.

CONCORD.

Simon Willard. Timothy Wheeler.

William Busse.

GROTON.

James Parker.

Nathaniel Lawrence.

WOBURN.

John Carter.

William Johnson.

William Lakin.

James Converse.

Chelmsford. — Thomas Hinchman, Lieut.; William Fletcher, Ensign. Billerica. — Jonathan Danforth, Lieut.; James Kidder, Ensign. Malden. — John Wayte, Capt.

LANCASTER. - Henry Kerly, Lieut.

READING. — Jonathan Poole, Capt.; John Damon, Lieut. Sudbury. — Edmund Goodnow, Capt.; Josiah Haynes, Lieut. Watertown. — Hugh Mason, Capt.; Richard Beers, Lieut.

MIDDLESEX TROOP.

Thomas Prentice, Capt. Edward Oakes, Lieut.

Capt.

Daniel Denison.

John Wyman, Cornet.

Matthew Bridge, Quartermaster.

ESSEX REGIMENT.

Major Daniel Denison.

IPSWICH.

Lieut.

Lieut. Ensign.
Samuel Appleton. Thomas Burnham.

SALEM.

1st. Joseph Gardiner. John Price.2d. John Corwin. Richard Leach.

John Higginson.
John Pickering.

NEWBURY.

William Gerrish. John Pike. Benjamin Swett.

ROWLEY.

Samuel Brocklebank. Philip Nelson. John Johnson.



MARBLEHEAD. - Francis Johnson, Lieut.; Richard Norman, Ensign. Andover. - Dudley Bradstreet, Capt. Lynn. - John Fuller, Ensign.

BEVERLY. - Thomas Lathrop, Capt.

FIRST ESSEX TROOP, SALEM AND LYNN.

George Corwin, Capt. Thomas Putnam, Lieut. Walter Price, Cornet.

SECOND ESSEX TROOP, IPSWICH AND NEWBERY. John Appleton, Capt. John Whipple, Cornet.

An independent Cavalry Company called the "Three County Troop," raised at large in Suffolk, Middlesex, and Essex, was organized 1658/9. Edward Hutchinson, Capt., 1659, John Tuttle, Lieut., William Haisy, Cornet, 1665.

HAMPSHIRE REGIMENT.

Major, John Pynchon.

SPRINGFIELD.

Capt. Elizur Holyoke.

Ensign.

Thomas Cooper. Benjamin Cooley.

NORTHAMPTON. - William Clarke, Lieut.; David Wilton, Ensign. HADLEY. - Samuel Smith, Lieut.; and, in 1678, were commissioned, Aaron Cooke, Capt.; Philip Smith, Lieut.; and Joseph Kellog, Ensign.

Westfield. - Samuel Loomis, Ensign. HATFIELD. - Daniel Warner, Ensign.

HAMPSHIRE TROOP.

John Pynchon, Capt. Joseph Whiting, Cornet. William Allis, Lieut.

George Colton, Quartermaster.

(OLD) NORFOLK REGIMENT.

Major, Robert Pike.

PORTSMOUTH.

Capt. Thomas Daniel. Lieut.

Ensign.

Walter Neale. Samuel Keys.

HAVERHILL.

Nathaniel Saltonstall. George Brown.

James Pecker.

GREAT ISLAND.

Richard Cutts.

Elias Stileman.

Joachim Harvey.



Hampton. - John Sanborn, Ensign. SALISBURY. - Thomas Bradbury, Captain.

NORFOLK TROOP.

Robert Pike, Capt.

William Vaughan, Lieut.

YORK REGIMENT.

Sergeant Major, Richard Walderne. Major, Brian Pendleton.

KITTERY.

Capt. Charles Frost. Lieut.

Ensign. Roger Plaisted. John Gattinsley.

SCARBOROUGH.

Joshua Scottow.

Andrew Alger.

Richard Hunnewell, 1681.

York. - Job Alcocke, Lieut.; Arthur Bragdon, Ensign.

SACO. — William Phillips, Capt.

NEWICHEWANNOCK. - John Wincoll, Capt.

Wells. - John Littlefield, Lieut.; Francis Littlefield, jr., Ensign.

Falmouth (Casco). — George Ingersol, Lieut.

DEVONSHIRE MILITIA.

Lieut. Thomas Gardiner, of Pemaquid, Commanding.

SAGADAHOC. — Thomas Humphreys, Sergt.; James Middleton, Corp. Damerill Cove & Hippocras. — John Bessell, Sergt. Monnegin. — John Dolling, Sergt.

Cape Nawaggen. — Robert Gamon, Sergt.

The militia of the towns not mentioned in the above lists, were placed under local sergeants, as training-officers, and are not found upon the records of the Colony, from which I have gathered this roster, page by page, as did another gleaner from the same field, some twenty years ago, — Gen. E. W. Peirce, of Freetown, Mass. I can testify to the fidelity of his labors. I find that the results of my own, made independently, agree generally with his. I have not attempted to record all the officers appointed in the colonies, but only such as were serving near the time of the two great wars.

CAPT, MOSELY'S VOLUNTEERS.

The following list may be of interest, as showing the discrepancy in spelling, when compared with the lists in chapter second of this volume.



A List of Captain Samuell Mosselys Company taken at Dedham the 9th, Day of Xber 1675: —

Samuel Mossely, Capt. Lieut. Peris Sauige Daniel Mathews James Johnson Serjeants Dennis Siky, Clerke
Edward Wesson
Jno. Fuller
Richard Barnam
Samuel Fosdick

James Smith John Farmer Richard Brien Frauncis Earle Jno. Canterbery Samuel Kemble James Updeicke Richard Adams Jno. Bouckman Joseph Touchwill Thomas Region Jno. Yeates Jonathan Nicholls Jonathan Weals Peter Leane John Ramsye Edward Weaden Andrew Johnson Jno. Crosse Tymothye Arnane Benjemin Dayer Jno. Ayrson Jno. Dunbare Samuel Guild Samuel Veile Jonathan Freeman Jno. Plimpton William Blacke Jno. Willingstone Jno. Turner Tymothy Weals Bolthomy Flag Richard Gibson Thomas Warren

William Blacke. Anthony Backer Jno. Rise Frauncis Siddall Jno. Sherman Jno. Cooper Jno. Leigh James Franklin William Phillips Mathew Thomas James Morgan Hugh Collohane Jeremias Stockes James Digenton Joshua Silverwood Thomas Bull William Beateman 1 Daniel McKennys and 1 Jno. Aruell Thomas Hackerbery Benjeman Allen Frauncis Bourgis Nicholas Greene William Good Jno. Cook Jno. Brandon Jno. Cousier Richard Hopkins Jno. Stebence

From Malden
Thomas May
James Chadwicke

Jno. Winsleed Jno. Mudge Edmond Chamberline Jno. Rosse Jno. Puinder ² James Wealsh

Charlestowne men

Hen: Swaine Thomas Dauis Samuell Leman William Burt Jno. Monsall Joseph Dawse Nathaniell Keane George Grimes Edward Walker Joseph Low Jno. Essery Jno. Shepard Jacob Cole Danid Jones ³ Benj. Latrope jr. ³ Thos. Weals jr. Jno. Trumball jr.

Dedham

Saml. Colborne John Day Robt. Weare Abra. Hartway Henry Ellitroop

(Mass. Archives, vol. 67, p. 293.)

THE ANCIENT MANUAL OF ARMS.

I have not found any authority showing the manual of arms or military tactics in use at the time of the Pequod War; but perhaps in that quaint old library of Myles Standish, in his volume of "Bariff's Artillery," or that "parcell of old bookes of



divers subjects in quarto," mentioned in his inventory (1655), might have been found the manual from which were drawn the "regulations" of the early New England militia.

From an old English treatise, quoted in "Grose's Antiquities,"

I find the following extracts:

There-fore the souldier must accustom himself to bear a peece or a pike. If he bear a peece, he must first learn to hold the same: to accommodate his match between his two foremost fingers and his thumb. and to plant the great end on his breast with a gallant souldier-like grace; and being ignorant, to the intent he may be more encouraged, let him acquaint himself first with the firing of the touch-powder in his panne, and so by degrees both to shoote of, to bow and bear up his body, and so consequently to attaine to the levell and practise of an assured and serviceable shot; readily charge and with comely couch discharge, making choise at the same instant of his marke, with a quick and vigilant eye; his flaske and touch-box must keep his powder, his purse and mouth his bullets. In skirmish, his left hand must hold his match and peece and the right-hand use the office of charging and discharging . . . let him ever first load his peece with powder out of his flaske, then with her bullet, and last with annuring and touchpowder, foreseeing ever that the panne be cleare, the cover close, the touchhole wide, or else well-proined, etc.

From the same work above quoted, in tables illustrated with quaint pictures, I find the following manual:

1. March with your rest in your hand. 2. March, with your Musket carry your rest. 3. Unshoulder your Musket. 4. Poise your Musket. 5. Join your rest to your Musket. 6. Take forth your Match. 7. Blow off your Coal. 8. Cock your Match. 9. Try your Match. 10. Guard blow and open your pan. 11. Present. 12. Give fire. 13. Dismount your Musket. 14. Uncock your Match. 15. Return your match. 16. Clear your pan. 17. Prime your pan. 18. Shut your pan. 19. Cast of your loose powder. 20. Blow of your loose powder. 21. Cast about your Musket. 22. Trail your rest. 23. Open your charge. 24. Charge your Musket. 25. Draw forth your scouring stick. 26. Shorten your scouring stick. 27. Put in your Bullet & Ram home. 28. Withdraw your scouring stick. 29. Shorten your scouring stick. 30. Return your scouring stick. 31. Recover your Musket. 32. Poise your Musket and recover your rest. 33. Rest your Musket. 34. Draw out your Match. 35. Blow your Match. 36. Cock your Match. 37. Try your Match. 38. Guard your pan. 39. Present. 40. Give fire. 41. Come up to your Musket. 42. Return your Match. 43. Take up your rest. 44. Blow off your loose powder and cast about your Musket. 45. Trail your rest & open your charge. 46. Bring up your Musket. 47. Poise your Musket & recover your Rest. 48. Shoulder your Musket.

Halberds and pikes had their proper manuals in this work, but were of little use in Indian warfare, and we hear nothing of them



in active service. The above manual, if ever in use in the colonies, was superseded, some time before Philip's War, by Elton's "Compleat Body of the Art Military." Elton's formula differs slightly in language from the preceding, and has eight more commands, which relate to the putting on and taking off of accountements.

Troopers were armed with a sword, and either two pistols or a carbine, to each man. After pikemen were discarded in active service, the soldiers were furnished with long knives, with handles to fit into the muzzles of their muskets, for close-quarter fighting; and these were replaced by bayonets, named from the place of their first manufacture, Bayonne, in France; these were at the first fitted into the muzzles of the guns. The regulation musket had a barrel four feet in length. In 1673 the Court ordered from England "five hundred new Snaphances or fire-lock Musketts, for the country's use." At the same time they ordered from Bilboa sixty cannon, or "great gunns," of the dimensions viz.: "twelve whole culverin, twelve demy culverin cutts, sixteen sakers, and twenty or thirty shott, proportionable for each gun." The cannon were mostly for coast defence, being useless in Indian warfare.

CAPTIVES.

The following accounts show the harsh custom of the times, and reveal a source of Colonial revenue not open to our country since that day.

ACCOUNT OF CAPTIVES SOLD BY MASS, COLONY.

August 24th, 1676.

John Hull's Journal page 398.

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